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**DISCOVERY OF A SHORT-PERIODIC PULSATING COMPONENT
IN THE ALGOL-TYPE ECLIPSING BINARY SYSTEM IU Per**

and Two New δ Scuti-Type Variables in the Vicinity of IU Per

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Name of the object:	
IU Per, GSC 02858-02449, GSC 02859-01458	
Observatory and telescope:	
Mt. Lemmon Optical Astronomy Observatory in USA, 1.0m telescope ¹	
Detector:	2K CCD camera
Filter(s):	Johnson <i>B</i>
Date(s) of the observation(s):	
December 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22, 2004	
Comparison star(s):	GSC 02859-00794
Check star(s):	GSC 02858-02003
Transformed to a standard system:	No
Availability of the data:	
Upon request	
Method of data reduction:	
Standard CCD-frame reduction using the IRAF/DAOPHOT ² package	

¹Korea Astronomy & Space science Institute (*KASI*) had installed the telescope and has been operating it by remote control from Korea via a network connection.

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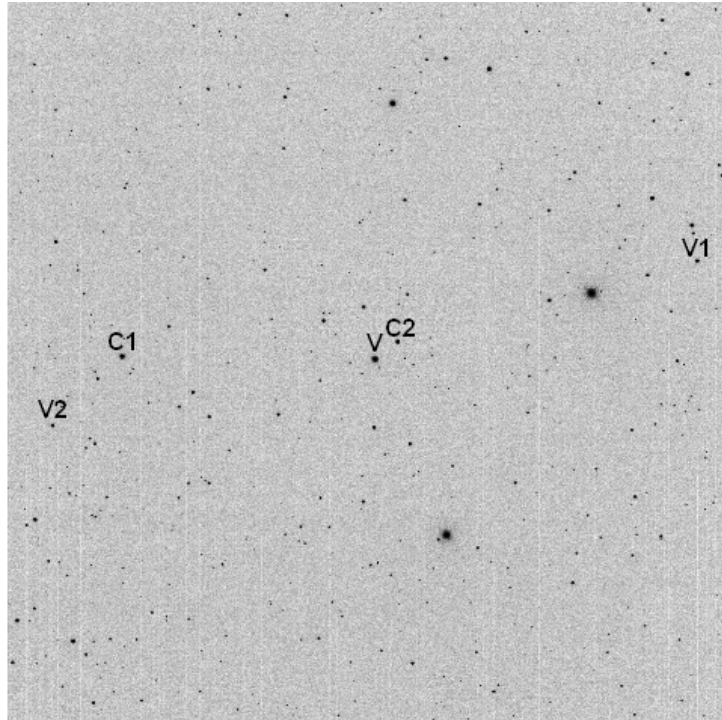


Figure 1. A B -band CCD image (22.2×22.2) of the eclipsing binary IU Per (V). North is up and east is to the left. Two stars of GSC 02859-00794 ($B = 11^m 85$, $V = 11^m 36$; Kharchenko 2001) and GSC 02858-02003 ($B = 12^m 24$, $V = 11^m 88$; Kharchenko 2001) were chosen as the comparison (C1) and check (C2) stars, respectively. Two new variable stars, V1 = GSC 02858-02449 ($B = 13^m 8$, $R = 13^m 2$; Monet et al. 1998) and V2 = GSC 02859-01458 ($B = 13^m 9$, $R = 13^m 2$; Monet et al. 1998) are also marked.

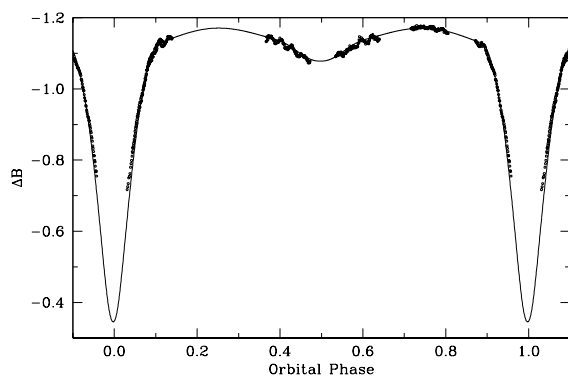


Figure 2. Phase diagram of IU Per in B -passband. The line is a synthetic eclipsing light curve which derived from the 1998-version of Wilson & Devinney (1971) code, taking into consideration of the light curve solution by Budding et al. (2004).

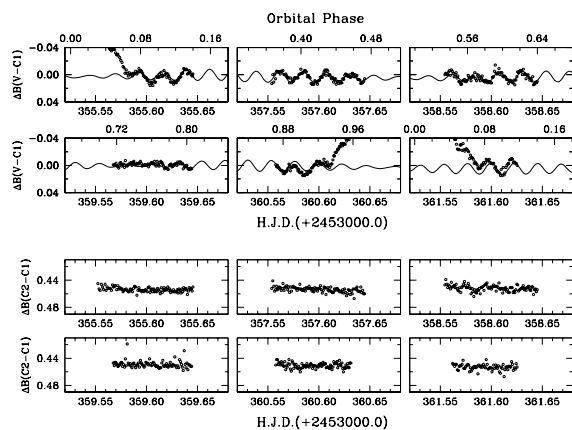


Figure 3. (Upper) Light variations of the residuals after subtracting the synthetic eclipsing light curve from the data. The lines are sinusoidal curves obtained from the multiple frequency analysis. (Lower) Differential magnitudes of the check star, $\Delta B(C2-C1)$, are displayed for comparison.

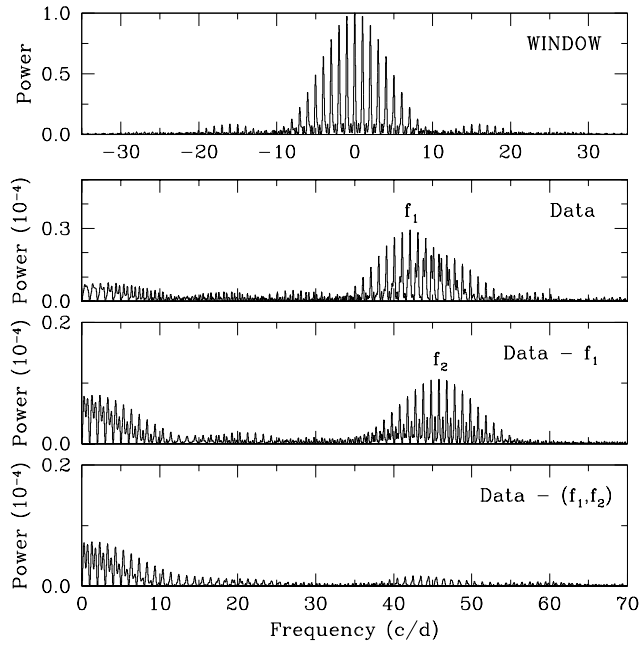


Figure 4. Power spectra of the residuals, except for the data around the primary minimum. The window spectrum is displayed in the top panel. We can detect two frequencies of $f_1 = 42.103$ c/d and $f_2 = 45.806$ c/d from the successive pre-whitening procedure (Kim & Lee 1996). Peaks at low-frequency less than 10.0 c/d may be originated from the incomplete fit of the synthetic eclipsing curve.

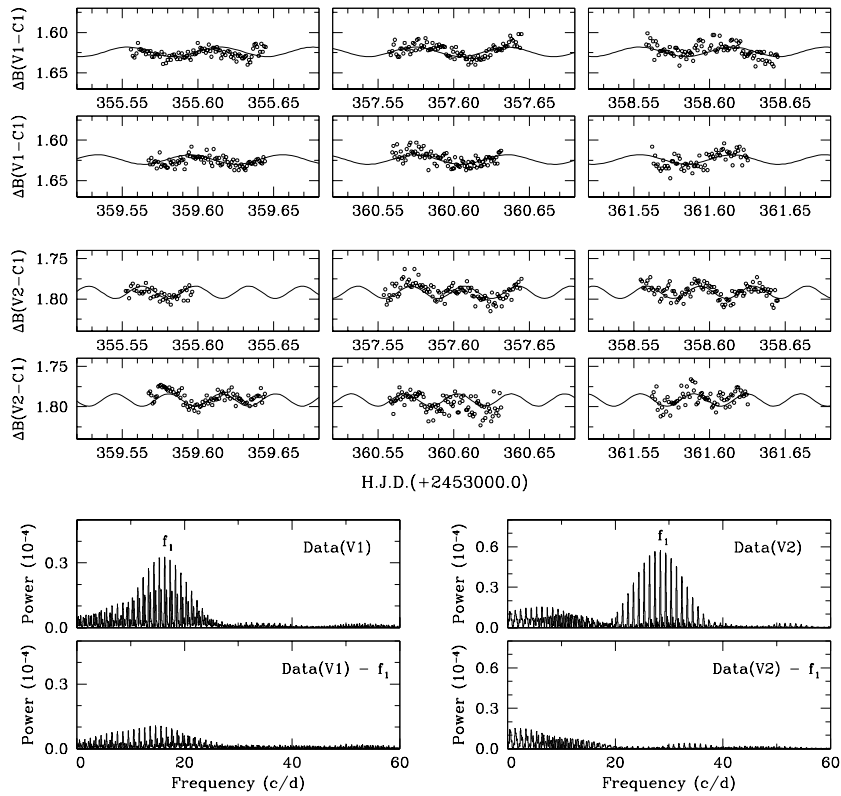


Figure 5. Light variations (upper) and power spectra (lower) of two new variable stars, V1 and V2. V1 has a dominant frequency of 16.332c/d and V2 of 28.375 c/d.

Remarks:

As a part of our photometric survey project to search for A-type pulsating components in eclipsing binary systems (Kim et al. 2003), we monitored the Algol-type semi-detached eclipsing binary IU Per. The observations were performed for six nights in December 2004, about 2 hours per night, with a 2K CCD camera. Simple aperture photometry was applied to get instrumental magnitudes with an aperture radius of 9 pixels ($=5''.76$); seeing size was about $2''.8$ during the observing runs. We examined differential magnitudes of tens of stars in the observing field to check their variations. Phase diagram of IU Per is shown in Figure 2, where orbital phases were calculated with the orbital period of 0.8570257 day and the primary minimum epoch of $H.J.D.2452500.214$ (Kreiner 2004). We obtained residuals after subtracting a synthetic eclipsing light curve from the data. Amplitudes of their variations change from cycle to cycle (Figure 3), implying that the variable star has multiple periods. We applied the multiple frequency analysis (Kim & Lee 1996) to get power spectra of the residuals, displayed in Figure 4, and detected two frequencies $f_1 = 42.103$ c/d (cycles per day) and $f_2 = 45.806$ c/d.

Our observations show that the primary component of IU Per has δ Scuti-type pulsational characteristics such as periods of about 34 minutes, peak-to-peak amplitudes of about $0^m.02$ in B -passband, multi-periodicity, and spectral type of A4 (Samus et al. 2004). Considering these pulsational characteristics and the semi-detached binary configuration (Samus et al. 2004), we suggest that IU Per is a new member of the oscillating EA (oEA) stars, a group of mass-accreting pulsating components in Algol-type semi-detached eclipsing binary systems (Mkrtychian et al. 2004). Then the number of the oEA stars has increased eighteen (Mkrtychian et al. 2005; Kim et al. 2005).

We have also discovered two new variable stars, V1 = GSC 02858-02449 and V2 = GSC 02859-01458, in the observing field. Figure 5 shows their light variations and power spectra. Considering their short periods, small amplitudes, and color indexes, we suggest that these stars are δ Scuti-type pulsating variables.

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