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NEAs observations at the IAC

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Visible and near-Infrared spectra

of low - ΔV NEAs :

Web page maintained by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL)

Observational program to obtain VNIR spectra using **ACAM** and **LIRIS** instruments at the
4.2m William Herschel Telescope (WHT) – El Roque de los Muchachos Observatory (La Palma)

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1. Título

Compositinal characterization of low-deltaV near-Earth asteroids

2. Datos personales

2.1. Investigador principal

Julia de Leon Cruz

Telescopio	Instrumento	Noches/Disp.	Horas	Luna
WHT	LIRIS	2 Noc.	9	A
Cfg. instr.: Spec lr-zj + lr-hk 2.5" slit		I. 2ario:		
WHT	ACAM	2 Noc.	9	A
Cfg. instr.: Spec V400 + 2.5" slit		I. 2ario:		

Semesters 2015A and 2015B
4 nights each semester

15 NEAs observed so far

Visible spectra using 10.4m GTC of potential targets for the NASA Asteroid Initiative

An e-mail alert is received from the PI of the mission (Paul Abel) every time a newly discovered NEA fulfils the requirements to become a potential target for the human exploration programme

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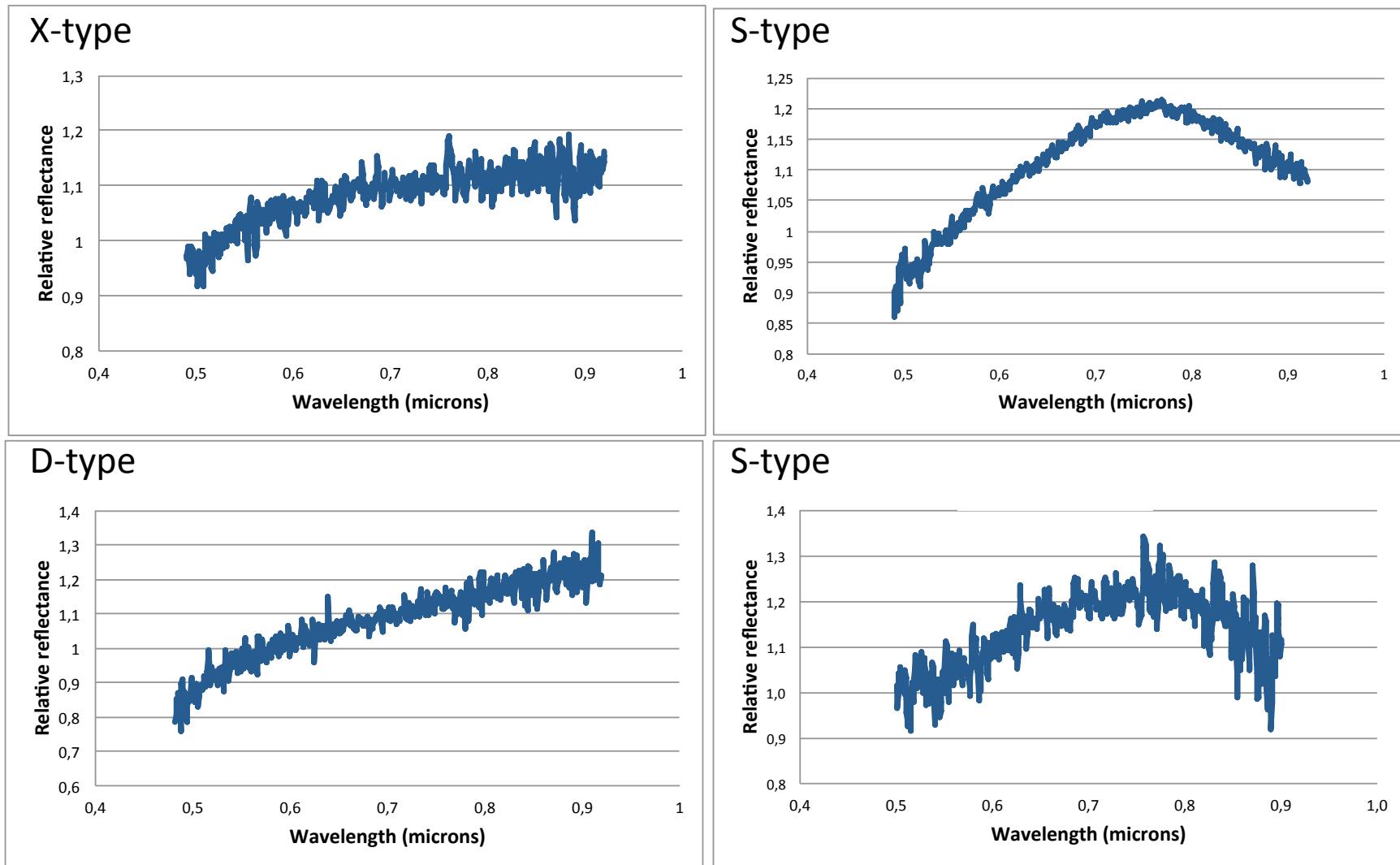
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**10 hours awarded for 2015B
Visible spectra using OSIRIS@GTC
10 NEAs observed so far**

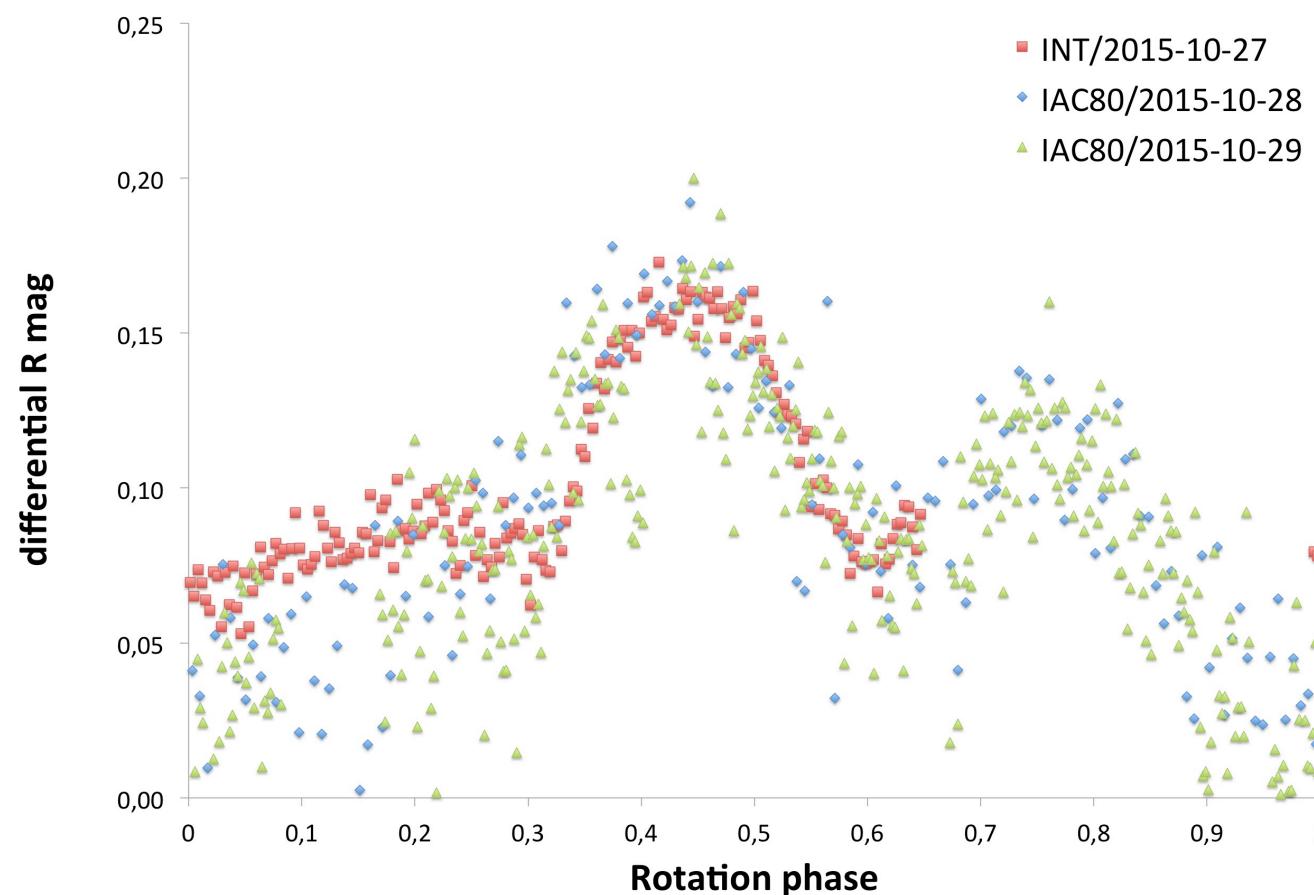
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Visible spectra using 10.4m GTC of potential targets for the NASA ARM mission



Time-series Photometry of selected NEAs

We also use INT, IAC-80 an other 1m-class or smaller telescopes to obtain lightcurves





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List of NEAs considered as potential targets for space missions: web page maintained by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL)

Near-Earth Asteroid Delta-V for Spacecraft Rendezvous

Delta-V is computed following the approach described by Shoemaker and Helin (1978),
Earth-approaching asteroids as targets for exploration, NASA CP-2053, pp. 245-256.

Last update: Wed Jan 20 12:16:56 PST 2016
Source for NEA orbits: Minor Planet Center
<http://www.minorplanetcenter.org/iau/lists/Atens.html>
<http://www.minorplanetcenter.org/iau/lists/Apollos.html>
<http://www.minorplanetcenter.org/iau/lists/Amors.html>

Calculations by Lance A. M. Benner
Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California Institute of Technology
http://echo.jpl.nasa.gov/~lance/delta_v/delta_v.rendezvous.html

N = 13626

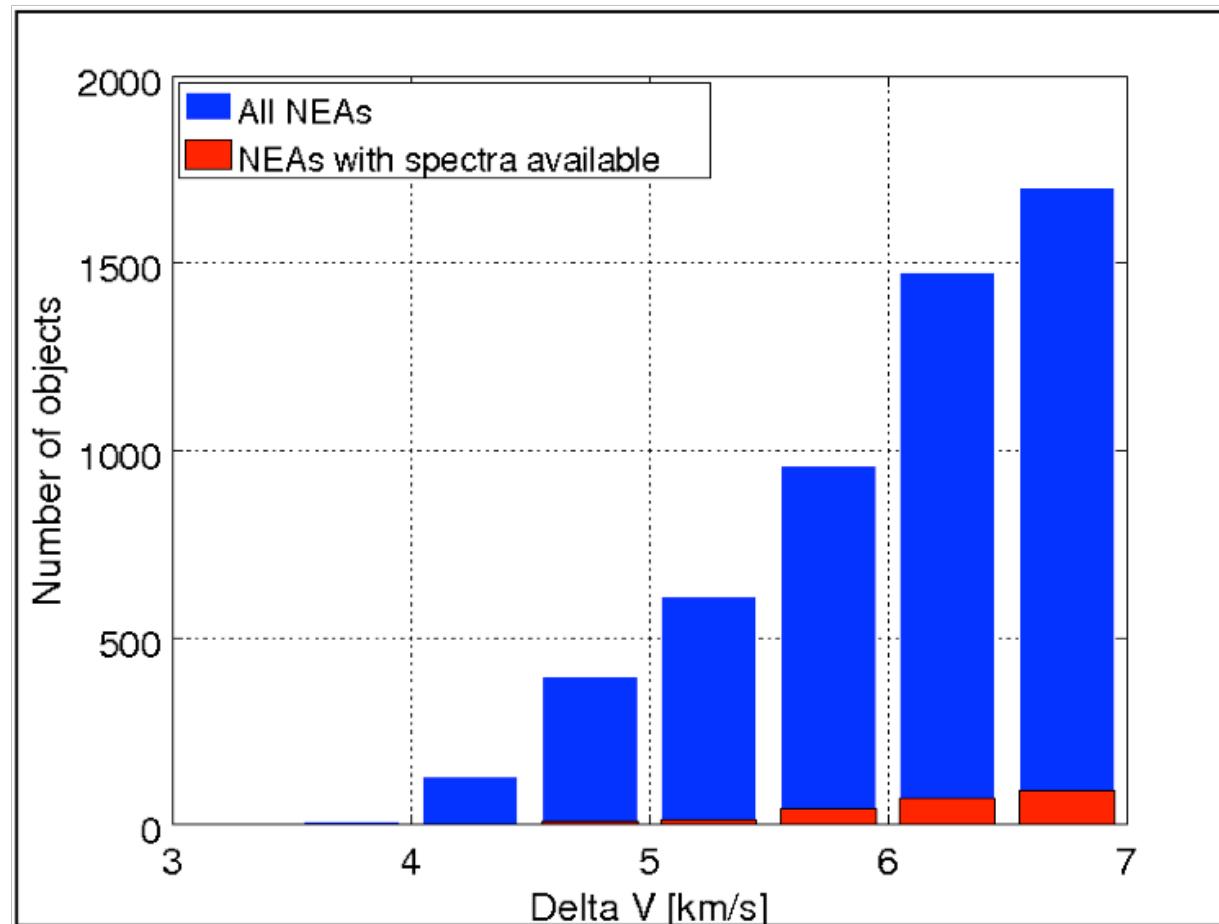
For comparison, delta-v for transferring from low-Earth orbit to rendezvous
with the Moon and Mars:

Moon: 6.0 km/s
Mars: 6.3 km/s

RANK	PERCENTILE	ASTEROID NAME	DELTA-V (ASTEROID) /							
			PROVISIONAL DESIGNATION	DELTA-V (KM/S)	DELTA-V FOR		H (mag)	a (AU)	e	i (deg)
=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====				
1	99.99		2006 RH120	3.813	0.635	0.605	29.5	1.033	0.025	0.6
2	99.99		2007 UN12	3.823	0.637	0.607	28.7	1.054	0.060	0.2
3	99.98		2010 UE51	3.829	0.638	0.608	28.3	1.055	0.060	0.6
4	99.97		2012 TF79	3.867	0.644	0.614	27.4	1.050	0.038	1.0
5	99.96		2009 BD	3.870	0.645	0.614	28.1	1.062	0.052	1.3

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There is a considerable lack of NEAs with published visible and/or near-infrared spectra
(less than **5%** from the total by **2015**)



Visible spectra using 10.4m GTC of potential targets for the NASA ARM mission

NASA Asteroid Redirect Mission (ARM): The ARM consists of two mission segments: 1.) the ARRM, the first robotic mission to visit a large (greater than ~100 m diameter) near-Earth asteroid (NEA), collect a multi-ton boulder from its surface along with regolith samples, and return the asteroidal material to a stable orbit around the Moon; and 2.) the Asteroid Redirect Crewed Mission (ARCM), in which astronauts will explore the boulder and return to Earth with samples .

