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**Abstract:** This report contains theta/rho measurements from 96 different double star systems. The time period spans from 2010.367 to 2010.597. Measurements were obtained using a 20-cm Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope and an illuminated reticle micrometer. This report represents a portion of the work that is currently being conducted in double star astronomy at Divinus Lux Observatory in Flagstaff, Arizona.

This article contains a listing of double star measurements that are part of a series, which have been continuously reported at Divinus Lux Observatory, since the spring of 2001. As has been done in previous articles, the selected double star systems, which appear in this report, have been taken from the 2001.0 version of the Washington Double Star (WDS) Catalog, with published measurements that are no more recent than ten years ago. Several systems are included from the 2006.5 version of the WDS catalog as well. There are also some noteworthy items that are discussed pertaining to the following table.

First of all, several double stars have displayed significant theta/rho shifts, because of proper motion, by one or both of the components. In this regard, BAL 1937 has shown an increase of 4.7 degrees, since 2000, primarily from proper motion by the reference point star. Next, a large proper motion by the "C" component, for STF 2277 AC, has caused a 3.8 degrees increase in the theta value and a 2.6% increase in the rho value since 2000. Significant parameter shifts are also being noted for H 39 AB (Vega). During the past 10 years, the theta value has increased by about 2.7 degrees, while the rho value has increased by 3.6%. A large proper motion value by Vega is primarily responsible. Proper motions in

opposite directions, for the components of STF 2390, have created a 5.7% increase in the rho value during the past decade. In a like manner, proper motions in opposite directions, for the components of HWE 46, have created a 6.5% increase in the rho value and a 2 degrees increase in the theta value since 2000. Finally, proper motion by the "A" component, for STF 2455 AB, is responsible for a 4.2% rho value increase in just the past 5 years.

Visual binary 70 Ophiuchi has also displayed some significant theta/rho shifts, during the past 10 years, because of orbital motion. A decrease of approximately 16 degrees for the theta value and an increase of 2 seconds, or 52%, for the rho value is being reported. The current parameters for this pair, which are listed in the table, are almost identical to what would be obtained if the orbital elements were to be used to determine the theta/rho values. This should probably be expected for a calculated orbit which, according to *Sky Catalogue 2000.0, Vol. 2*, (Hershfield and Sinnott, 1999) carries a rating of grade 1. Because the period is only 88 years long, and since this pair has been thoroughly studied for decades, this is one of the most accurately known orbits among visual binary stars.

Visual binary 61 Cygni has also displayed a significant parameter shift in just 5 years. Since

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2005, the theta value appears to have increased by 3 degrees, while the rho value has shown little change during this period. A calculation using the orbital elements indicates that an increase of only one degree should have occurred. However such a disparity might not be totally surprising since the *Sky Catalogue* rating for this orbit is a grade 4. This is certainly one visual binary that is easily measured by even very small instruments, so additional measure-

ments are strongly encouraged, by others, in order to help bring additional accuracy to the orbital elements that have been published.

### References

Hirshfield & Sinnott, 19, *Sky Catalogue 2000.0, Volume 2*, p. 190, Sky Publishing Corporation, Cambridge, MA.

| NAME         | RA DEC     | MAGS      | PA    | SEP    | DATE     | NOTES |
|--------------|------------|-----------|-------|--------|----------|-------|
| STF1943      | 15276+0522 | 9.2 9.5   | 147.8 | 4.94   | 2010.367 | 1     |
| STF2003      | 16037+1126 | 7.1 10.4  | 171.2 | 14.32  | 2010.386 | 2     |
| HDO 308      | 16323+0012 | 9.6 9.7   | 304.0 | 6.91   | 2010.367 | 3     |
| BAL1937      | 17262+0205 | 8.5 10.2  | 204.7 | 12.34  | 2010.386 | 4     |
| STF2220Aa-BC | 17465+2743 | 3.4 9.8   | 249.3 | 35.06  | 2010.386 | 5     |
| STF2242      | 17512+4454 | 8.1 8.2   | 326.0 | 3.46   | 2010.386 | 6     |
| STF2271AB    | 18003+5251 | 8.1 9.2   | 270.0 | 3.46   | 2010.425 | 7     |
| STF2277AB    | 18031+4828 | 6.2 8.8   | 127.7 | 26.66  | 2010.425 | 8     |
| STF2277AC    | 18031+4828 | 6.2 10.1  | 298.8 | 99.74  | 2010.425 | 8     |
| STF2266AB    | 18044+0329 | 7.9 9.5   | 186.1 | 8.39   | 2010.425 | 9     |
| SLE 106AE    | 18047+2707 | 7.2 10.7  | 42.8  | 183.68 | 2010.430 | 10    |
| STF2272AB    | 18055+0230 | 4.1 6.2   | 130.7 | 5.93   | 2010.425 | 11    |
| STF2276AB    | 18057+1200 | 7.1 7.4   | 257.1 | 6.91   | 2010.430 | 12    |
| STT 165AB    | 18060+0434 | 8.4 8.5   | 141.3 | 66.66  | 2010.430 | 13    |
| POU3427      | 18330+2420 | 10.1 10.4 | 80.7  | 6.42   | 2010.430 | 14    |
| H 39AB       | 18369+3846 | 0.1 9.5   | 184.7 | 80.98  | 2010.425 | 15    |
| STF2364      | 18401+2442 | 8.0 10.2  | 174.7 | 10.37  | 2010.430 | 16    |
| STF2372Aa-B  | 18421+3445 | 6.5 7.7   | 82.1  | 25.18  | 2010.430 | 17    |
| GRV 238      | 18444+2003 | 9.5 9.6   | 345.0 | 36.54  | 2010.430 | 18    |
| STF2390      | 18458+3431 | 7.3 8.5   | 156.0 | 4.44   | 2010.425 | 19    |
| STF2420AB    | 18512+5923 | 4.6 8.1   | 318.1 | 37.03  | 2010.430 | 20    |
| POU3591Aa-B  | 18554+2324 | 9.1 10.1  | 45.5  | 24.19  | 2010.430 | 21    |
| BAL 588      | 18590-0139 | 10.7 10.7 | 316.0 | 9.88   | 2010.504 | 22    |
| ENG 65AB     | 18596+1504 | 4.0 10.5  | 183.9 | 123.44 | 2010.430 | 23    |
| POP1225AD    | 19054+1352 | 3.0 10.7  | 150.7 | 200.46 | 2010.507 | 24    |
| STF2455AB    | 19069+2210 | 7.4 9.4   | 28.5  | 9.38   | 2010.504 | 25    |
| STF2466AC    | 19079+2948 | 8.6 10.7  | 140.9 | 98.26  | 2010.507 | 26    |
| HWE 46       | 19150-1559 | 9.5 9.8   | 162.9 | 5.43   | 2010.562 | 27    |
| STF 497      | 19200+0535 | 7.6 8.4   | 356.6 | 30.12  | 2010.507 | 28    |
| STF2512      | 19227+3144 | 8.3 10.6  | 305.7 | 22.22  | 2010.507 | 29    |

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|-------------|------------|-----------|-------|--------|----------|-------|
| STF2526AB   | 19229+5701 | 8.1 10.7  | 84.9  | 16.79  | 2010.507 | 30    |
| STF2534     | 19277+3632 | 8.2 8.4   | 62.8  | 6.91   | 2010.507 | 31    |
| BRT1318     | 19299+1241 | 10.4 10.6 | 84.7  | 5.93   | 2010.507 | 32    |
| H 89        | 19394+1634 | 6.4 9.2   | 301.3 | 28.64  | 2010.507 | 33    |
| GRV 268     | 19411+2008 | 8.4 10.4  | 27.1  | 31.60  | 2010.507 | 34    |
| STF2566     | 19445+0459 | 7.5 10.0  | 232.6 | 26.66  | 2010.507 | 35    |
| GRV 281     | 19487+1634 | 8.7 9.0   | 221.6 | 35.55  | 2010.507 | 36    |
| STF2585AB-C | 19490+1909 | 5.0 9.0   | 310.8 | 7.90   | 2010.504 | 37    |
| STF2611     | 19588+4721 | 8.4 8.4   | 207.8 | 5.43   | 2010.507 | 38    |
| STF2610AB   | 19591+3532 | 8.8 9.2   | 295.8 | 3.95   | 2010.507 | 39    |
| S 730AB     | 20001+1737 | 7.0 8.4   | 14.3  | 113.07 | 2010.542 | 40    |
| S 730AC     | 20001+1737 | 7.0 10.2  | 337.6 | 78.51  | 2010.542 | 40    |
| S 730AD     | 20001+1737 | 7.0 10.7  | 198.0 | 40.49  | 2010.542 | 40    |
| H 100AB     | 20001+1731 | 9.9 10.0  | 254.1 | 24.19  | 2010.504 | 41    |
| H 100AC     | 20001+1731 | 9.9 5.4*  | 298.6 | 114.55 | 2010.504 | 41    |
| D 21        | 20030+1528 | 8.5 10.7  | 209.9 | 21.23  | 2010.507 | 42    |
| AG 398      | 20038+1345 | 9.7 10.6  | 220.6 | 26.66  | 2010.540 | 43    |
| A 2278AC    | 20068+0157 | 10.0 10.7 | 356.4 | 23.21  | 2010.540 | 44    |
| WEB 12      | 20078+1950 | 8.3 8.3   | 76.9  | 40.98  | 2010.540 | 45    |
| KU 127      | 20078+1016 | 9.6 10.7  | 178.7 | 19.75  | 2010.540 | 46    |
| AC 17AE     | 20125+5128 | 6.0 10.7  | 148.0 | 130.35 | 2010.540 | 47    |
| OPI 23AC    | 20135+4653 | 10.1 10.7 | 330.0 | 97.27  | 2010.540 | 48    |
| STF2654     | 20152-0330 | 6.9 8.1   | 232.9 | 14.32  | 2010.542 | 49    |
| ARY 25      | 20168+3731 | 8.5 8.7   | 293.3 | 146.64 | 2010.540 | 50    |
| GRV 326AC   | 20172+2415 | 9.0 10.2  | 262.3 | 36.06  | 2010.540 | 51    |
| SEI1064     | 20173+3420 | 10.1 10.7 | 254.4 | 23.70  | 2010.540 | 52    |
| HJ 607AC    | 20176-1230 | 4.2 9.6   | 222.9 | 46.41  | 2010.504 | 53    |
| ARY 4       | 20215+3035 | 6.8 8.5   | 286.6 | 134.79 | 2010.540 | 54    |
| AG 256AB    | 20279+0958 | 9.4 10.6  | 351.8 | 4.94   | 2010.562 | 55    |
| AG 406      | 20291+2700 | 9.4 10.3  | 333.1 | 8.39   | 2010.540 | 56    |
| STF2686     | 20297+1018 | 9.4 10.7  | 278.1 | 25.68  | 2010.540 | 57    |
| SHJ 324     | 20299-1835 | 5.9 6.7   | 238.5 | 21.73  | 2010.542 | 58    |
| S 756       | 20313+4913 | 5.4 10.2  | 326.7 | 60.73  | 2010.542 | 59    |
| SCJ 26      | 20348+0514 | 8.3 10.0  | 88.7  | 25.18  | 2010.542 | 60    |
| ES 88       | 20379+5106 | 9.5 10.5  | 126.6 | 7.90   | 2010.542 | 61    |
| POU4811     | 20396+2345 | 9.7 10.7  | 201.6 | 21.23  | 2010.542 | 62    |
| ENG 75      | 20399+1115 | 6.4 10.6  | 6.2   | 182.19 | 2010.542 | 63    |
| STT 409AB   | 20403+0326 | 6.9 10.1  | 84.1  | 16.79  | 2010.562 | 64    |
| STT 409AC   | 20403+0326 | 6.9 9.8   | 332.4 | 63.20  | 2010.562 | 64    |
| S 765Aa-C   | 20474+3629 | 4.8 9.5   | 106.1 | 82.95  | 2010.504 | 65    |

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| AG 267      | 20484+0426 | 10.1 10.3 | 260.4 | 5.93   | 2010.542 | 66    |
| STT 210     | 20500+0533 | 6.2 9.0   | 127.1 | 78.51  | 2010.542 | 67    |
| BAL2548     | 20537+0336 | 9.8 10.7  | 257.5 | 7.41   | 2010.542 | 68    |
| WAL 133AB-D | 20593+1534 | 8.1 10.0  | 205.7 | 83.94  | 2010.542 | 69    |
| STT 425AE   | 21001+4841 | 7.3 10.5  | 15.8  | 44.93  | 2010.584 | 70    |
| BU 1497     | 21005+1920 | 5.7 9.8   | 336.9 | 49.87  | 2010.584 | 71    |
| STF2758AB   | 21069+3845 | 5.2 6.0   | 154.1 | 31.11  | 2010.562 | 72    |
| ARG 107     | 21122+5854 | 8.1 9.2   | 193.0 | 36.54  | 2010.584 | 73    |
| KU 131      | 21304+3859 | 9.6 10.6  | 11.9  | 36.54  | 2010.584 | 74    |
| STF2804AB   | 21330+2043 | 7.6 8.0   | 356.0 | 3.46   | 2010.584 | 75    |
| ES 2713     | 21352+3839 | 9.7 10.7  | 97.2  | 17.78  | 2010.584 | 76    |
| BU 687AC    | 21388+5548 | 7.9 10.7  | 203.3 | 54.31  | 2010.584 | 77    |
| STT 450     | 21465+0632 | 7.8 10.5  | 254.2 | 44.44  | 2010.584 | 78    |
| HLD 48      | 21486+5136 | 9.3 10.5  | 21.9  | 4.44   | 2010.584 | 79    |
| STF2840AB   | 21520+5548 | 5.7 6.4   | 196.8 | 17.78  | 2010.584 | 80    |
| GRV 517     | 21532+4324 | 10.5 10.7 | 211.7 | 45.92  | 2010.584 | 81    |
| STT 456AC   | 21555+5232 | 8.2 10.5  | 289.8 | 27.16  | 2010.584 | 82    |
| ABH 154AB-G | 21555+5232 | 7.8 9.3   | 106.8 | 111.59 | 2010.584 | 82    |
| STF2867AB   | 22100+0757 | 8.2 9.3   | 208.6 | 10.37  | 2010.597 | 83    |
| STT 230     | 22143+4029 | 7.9 9.6   | 161.9 | 47.40  | 2010.597 | 84    |
| GRV 557     | 22170+0108 | 9.5 10.5  | 189.9 | 55.30  | 2010.597 | 85    |
| STT 232AB   | 22235+0351 | 9.2 9.4   | 193.0 | 75.54  | 2010.597 | 86    |
| BU 844AB    | 22296+0538 | 8.6 10.6  | 34.7  | 98.75  | 2010.597 | 87    |
| ROE 47AD    | 22324+3947 | 5.9 10.0  | 216.2 | 103.69 | 2010.597 | 88    |
| GRV 587     | 22338+0352 | 9.6 9.9   | 229.3 | 78.01  | 2010.597 | 89    |
| GRV 601AC   | 22429+3316 | 9.5 10.0  | 72.2  | 43.45  | 2010.597 | 90    |
| STT 480     | 22461+5804 | 7.6 8.6   | 116.5 | 30.61  | 2010.597 | 91    |
| HJ 1823AC   | 22518+4119 | 7.1 8.1   | 337.2 | 81.96  | 2010.597 | 92    |
| HJ 1823AE   | 22518+4119 | 7.1 8.8   | 262.7 | 118.99 | 2010.597 | 92    |
| GRV 647     | 23114+3242 | 8.7 10.2  | 323.4 | 73.08  | 2010.597 | 93    |
| ES 2728     | 23249+5430 | 9.8 10.0  | 247.6 | 10.37  | 2010.597 | 94    |
| S 830AB     | 23269+0115 | 4.9 9.9   | 343.2 | 176.76 | 2010.597 | 95    |
| GRV 704     | 23583+0217 | 9.5 10.3  | 58.6  | 59.74  | 2010.597 | 96    |

\* Companion star is the brighter component.

#### Notes

- In Serpens. Common proper motion; sep. & p.a. decreasing. Spect. G5.
- In Serpens. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. K3III, K2.
- In Ophiuchus. Relatively fixed. Spect. F0.
- In Ophiuchus. Position angle increasing. Spect. G5, G5.
- Mu or 86 Herculis. Sep. & p.a. increasing. Spect. G5IV.
- In Hercules. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. F0, F0.
- In Draco. Common proper motion. Sep. & p.a. increasing. Spect. G0, G0.
- In Hercules. AB = p.a. inc. AC = sep. & p.a. inc. Spect. AB = A1V, K.
- In Ophiuchus. Relatively fixed. Spect. F5.
- In Hercules. Sep. & p.a. slightly decreasing. Spect. A7III.
- 70 Ophiuchi. Common proper motion. Sep. inc.;

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- p.a. dec. Spect. K0V, K4V.
12. In Ophiuchus. Sep. & p.a. slightly decreasing. Spect. A7, A7.
  13. In Ophiuchus. Relatively fixed. Spect. K0III, A0.
  14. In Hercules. Position angle increasing. Spect. F5.
  15. Vega or Alpha Lyrae. Sep. & p.a. increasing. Spect. A0V.
  16. In Hercules. Separation increasing. Spect. K0, K0.
  17. In Lyra. Slight decrease in p.a. Spect. B5V, B8.
  18. In Hercules. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. G0, F8.
  19. In Lyra. Separation increasing. Spect. A7V, A5.
  20. Omicron or 47 Draconis. Sep. increasing; p.a. decreasing. Spect. G7III.
  21. In Hercules. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. G0, G0.
  22. In Aquila. Relatively fixed. Spect. G, A5.
  23. Epsilon Aquilae. Sep. & p.a. decreasing. Spect. K0.
  24. Zeta or 17 Aquilae. Sep. & p.a. decreasing. Spect. A0V.
  25. In Vulpecula. Sep. increasing; p.a. decreasing. Spect. F4IV, F0.
  26. In Lyra. Slight decrease in p.a. Spect. A0.
  27. In Sagittarius. Sep. & p.a. increasing. Spect. B9IV, B9.
  28. In Aquila. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. G5, G5.
  29. In Lyra. Sep. & p.a. decreasing. Spect. A2.
  30. In Draco. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. K5, K5.
  31. In Cygnus. Common proper motion; sep. & p.a. decreasing. Spect. B9III.
  32. In Aquila. Common proper motion; sep. & p.a. increasing.
  33. In Sagitta. Relatively fixed. Spect. K4I.
  34. In Vulpecula. Sep. & p.a. decreasing. Spect. F8.
  35. In Aquila. Sep. increasing; p.a. decreasing. Spect. K5.
  36. In Sagitta. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. F0, F0.
  37. Zeta or 8 Sagittae. Sep. decreasing; p.a. increasing. Spect. A2, A3V.
  38. In Cygnus. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. K0, K0.
  39. In Cygnus. Relatively fixed. Spect. B9V, B9.
  40. In Sagitta. AB & AC = sep. & p.a. dec. AD = sep. inc. Spect. K0, F5, A2.
  41. C component = 13 Sagittae. AB & AC = relatively fixed. Spect. AC = K0, M2.
  42. In Aquila. Position angle decreasing. Spect. M1.
  43. In Aquila. Separation slightly increasing. Spect. F0, A7.
  44. In Aquila. Sep. & p.a. decreasing. Spect. F8.
  45. In Sagitta. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. F0, F0.
  46. In Aquila. Position angle increasing. Spect. F5.
  47. In Cygnus. Position angle slightly decreasing. Spect. K2.5III.
  48. In Cygnus. Relatively fixed.
  49. In Aquila. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. F2V, F4V.
  50. In Cygnus. Separation increasing. Spect. K2, A3.
  51. In Vulpecula. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. B8, F8.
  52. In Cygnus. Relatively fixed. Spect. A0, A0.
  53. Alpha 1 or 5 Capricorni. Separation increasing. Spect. G3I.
  54. In Cygnus. Position angle decreasing. Spect. A2, A2.
  55. In Delphinus. Sep. & p.a. decreasing. Spect. A2.
  56. In Cygnus. Sep. & p.a. increasing. Spect. B9, A0.
  57. In Delphinus. Separation decreasing. Spect. A0.
  58. Omicron Capricorni. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. A3V, A7V.
  59. Omega or 46 Cygni. Sep. & p.a. increasing. Spect. M2III, G.
  60. In Delphinus. Sep. & p.a. slightly increasing. Spect. M5, M.
  61. In Cygnus. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. G5.
  62. In Vulpecula. Sep increasing; p.a. decreasing. Spect. F5.
  63. In Delphinus. Sep. & p.a. decreasing. Spect. F8IV.
  64. In Delphinus. AB = relfix.; c.p.m. AC = sep. & p.a. dec. Spect. K0, K0, K0.
  65. Lambda or 54 Cygni. Separation decreasing. Spect. B5.
  66. In Delphinus. Common proper motion; sep. increasing. Spect. G5, G5.
  67. In Delphinus. Sep. decreasing; p.a. increasing. Spect. K0, K0.
  68. In Delphinus. Common proper motion; p.a. decreasing. Spect. G5.
  69. In Delphinus. Relatively fixed. Spect. A3, A.
  70. In Cygnus. Position angle increasing. Spect. B9.
  71. In Delphinus. Sep. & p.a. increasing. Spect. M3III.
  72. 61 Cygni. Common proper motion. Sep. & p.a. increasing. Spect. K5V, K7V.
  73. In Cepheus. Relatively fixed. Spect. B3, A2.
  74. In Cygnus. Sep. & p.a. slightly increasing. Spect. A0.

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75. In Pegasus. Common proper motion; sep. & p.a. increasing. Spect. F6IV, F6IV.
76. In Cygnus. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion.
77. In Cepheus. Relatively fixed. Spect. A0.
78. In Pegasus. Sep. & p.a. increasing. Spect. F5.
79. In Cygnus. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. F2.
80. In Cepheus. Sep. decreasing; p.a. increasing. Spect. B6IV, A1.
81. In Cygnus. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. F8.
82. In Cygnus. AC = p.a. inc.; sep. dec. AB-G = relatively fixed. Spect. F2V.
83. In Pegasus. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. G5III, G0.
84. In Lacerta. Sep. & p.a. slightly increasing. Spect. K2, K2.
85. In Aquarius. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. G.
86. In Pegasus. Sep. & p.a. increasing. Spect. G5.
87. In Pegasus. Relatively fixed. Spect. K0, A0.
88. In Lacerta. Slight increase in position angle. Spect. A6V.
89. In Pegasus. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. G0.
90. In Pegasus. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. G0.
91. In Cepheus. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. F8, K0.
92. In Lacerta. AC = relfix. AE = sep. slightly increasing. Spect. B8V, A0, A0.
93. In Pegasus. Relatively fixed. Common proper motion. Spect. F5.
94. In Cassiopeia. Sep. & p.a. increasing. Spect. B8.
95. Kappa or 8 Piscium. Separation increasing. Spect. A2.
96. In Pisces. Sep. slightly decreasing. Common proper motion. Spect. G0, G.

