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## 1.0 Introduction

Trumpler 16 is a very young open cluster which contains ultra-luminous object  $\eta$  Car and several O3 stars. The cluster gas exhibits peculiar motions of more than 500 km/s (see, Walborn et al 1984), and the dust has a large and variable  $R(V) = A(V)/E(B-V)$ . In this report, I present UV observations of the Tr 16 dust, demonstrate systematic changes in the extinction curves which occur as one samples deeper into the cloud, and isolate the signature of the UV extinction of the dust within the molecular cloud.

## 2.0 Observations

Table 1 lists the program stars which have IUE observations. These were selected to lie in groups within a few arc minutes of each other on the sky. The names given in Table 1 are from The et al (1980). The spectral types given in parenthesis are from classifications of the low dispersion IUE spectra. Some of the spectra were difficult to classify because the interstellar lines were broad enough to contaminate some important stellar lines, such as Si III  $\lambda$ 1300. The spectra were matched to unreddened standards to produce extinction curves (see Fitzpatrick and Massa 1990, FM).

The extinction curves for the program stars are shown in Figure 1. These were derived exactly as described by FM. Available IR photometry (Tapia et al 1988) is included and the curves are compared to a family of CCM (Cardelli et al 1989) curves, with  $R(V) = 2, 3, 4,$  and  $5$ .

## 3.0 Analysis

Figure 2 shows FM fits to the UV portions of the curves, where the fitting function is given by

$$k(x - \lambda) = c_1 + c_2x + c_3D(\gamma, x_0; x) + c_4F(x),$$

where  $x = \lambda^{-1}$ ,  $D(\gamma, x_0; x)$  is a Drude profile, and  $F(x)$  is a function which is zero for  $x < 5.9\mu^{-1}$  (see FM for details). Table 2 lists the parameters derived from the fitting procedure. Relationships among the various observables are shown in Figure 3. Figure 3a shows the relationship between IR extinction and  $E(B-V)$ . This relationship shows that the value of  $R$  increases as more and more of the dust associated with the cloud affects the line of sight. This same effect was already discussed by Tapia et al. Figure 3b shows an apparent relationship between the bump position,  $x_0$ , and  $E(B-V)$ . However, this may be due to a bias in the fitting routine. This is because, as Figure 3c demonstrates, the slope of the UV extinction decreases with  $E(B-V)$ . This relationship could influence the nonlinear fit of  $x_0$ . Figure 3d shows the relationship between the offset and slope of the UV fit,  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ , for the cluster stars (crosses), compared to the same parameters derived from a diverse sample of stars studied by Fitzpatrick and Massa (1988) (triangles). Notice that the cluster stars seem to lie systematically beneath the line derived for the Fitzpatrick and Massa sample.

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To isolate the Tr 16 molecular cloud extinction, and to eliminate the foreground extinction, differential extinction curves were formed by using the differences between the color excesses of heavily reddened stars and lightly reddened stars within 2' on the sky of them. All of the stellar pairs with  $\Delta E(B-V) > 0.1$  mag were summed to form a mean Tr 16 molecular cloud extinction curve.

Figure 4 shows the resulting *differential* extinction curve for Tr 16 dust. This curve is affected only by dust within the Tr 16 star-forming cloud. The pairs of stars used to produce the curve are: Tr16-14&13, 15&13, 17&94, 21&20, 7&9, 8&9, and 73&115. The only heavily reddened star not included was Tr16-76. Unlike the other cluster stars, this object has a relatively high FUV extinction. The mean differential curve is compared to CCM curves with  $R = 2, 3, 4, 5,$  and  $6$ .

Finally, Figure 5 compares the differential curve for Tr16 with that of the Orion star NU Ori given by FM. The 2 curves are essentially indistinguishable.

#### 4.0 Conclusion

The extinction curve for *dust inside the Tr 16 molecular cloud* closely resembles a CCM  $R = 5$  curve, and is almost identical to that of the Orion molecular cloud, as sampled by NU Ori. The NU Ori curve does not have to be corrected for foreground extinction because it is very small along its line of sight compared to the extinction caused by the Orion cloud itself. In conclusion, the observations shows that dust in another spiral arm demonstrates the same morphological behavior as dust in the local clouds used to derive the CCM relationships. This finding was presented at the 181-st meeting of the AAS in Phoenix, and is currently being incorporated into a larger paper in collaboration with Dr. Jason Cardelli at the University of Wisconsin. Cardelli has obtained IUE observations of main sequence B and late O stars in the young cluster NGC 6611, and has come to similar conclusions. We have decided, therefore, to combine the observations of the 2 clusters into a single presentation.

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**Table 1: Program Stars**

Name	Sp Ty	V	B-V	E(B-V)	UV Match
Tr16-8	B1.5Vb	10.90	0.14	0.42	B0.5 V
Tr16-13	(B1)	10.76	0.22	0.50	B0.5 V
Tr16-14	(O-B0)	11.50	0.42	0.72	O9.5 V
Tr16-15	(B0.5)	11.28	0.41	0.69	B0.5 V
Tr16-17	(B0)	11.01	0.24	0.54	B0 V
Tr16-20	B1 V	10.20	0.08	0.34	B1 V
Tr16-21	(B0)	10.93	0.47	0.77	B0 V
Tr16-22	(O7)	11.01	0.49	0.81	O7 V
Tr16-23	O7 Vn	9.97	0.38	0.70	O7 V
Tr16-24	(B1)	11.58	0.16	0.42	B1 V
Tr16-27	(B1)	11.06	0.14	0.40	B1 V
Tr16-33	(B2)	11.83	0.27	0.51	B2 V
Tr16-73	(B1)	11.90	0.42	0.68	B1 V
Tr16-74	(B1)	11.70	0.27	0.53	B1 V
Tr16-76	(B0)	11.19	0.42	0.70	B0.5 V
Tr16-94	B1 Vn	9.86	0.14	0.40	B1 V
Tr16-115	O9 V	10.15	0.16	0.46	O9.5 V

**Table 2: Fit Parameters**

Star	Match	$x_0$	$\gamma$	$c_1$	$c_2$	$c_3$	$c_4$
Tr16-8	B0.5 V	4.601	0.882	0.057	0.523	2.344	0.301
Tr16-13	B0.5 V	4.570	1.066	-0.150	0.601	2.932	0.140
Tr16-14	O9.5V	4.585	1.193	0.036	0.507	2.971	0.155
Tr16-15	B0.5 V	4.589	1.024	0.428	0.427	2.556	0.285
Tr16-17	B0 V	4.607	1.000	0.042	0.553	1.979	0.456
Tr16-20	B1 V	4.597	0.864	0.391	0.600	2.533	0.354
Tr16-21	B0 V	4.599	0.926	0.941	0.311	2.058	0.160
Tr16-22	O7 V	4.596	1.017	0.647	0.338	2.589	0.166
Tr16-23	O7 V	4.567	0.806	0.531	0.467	1.554	0.169
Tr16-24	B1 V	4.604	0.974	0.290	0.511	2.362	0.354
Tr16-27	B1 V	4.594	0.881	-0.631	0.632	2.711	0.340
Tr16-33	B2 V	4.598	0.891	0.396	0.511	2.348	0.288
Tr16-73	B1 V	4.588	0.855	0.366	0.435	2.120	0.306
Tr16-74	B1 V	4.580	0.793	0.188	0.466	1.791	0.246
Tr16-76	B0.5 V	4.572	0.957	0.132	0.606	2.565	0.435
Tr16-94	B1 V	4.591	0.813	-0.670	0.846	1.793	0.897
Tr16-115	O9.5V	4.583	0.909	-0.034	0.579	2.228	0.367

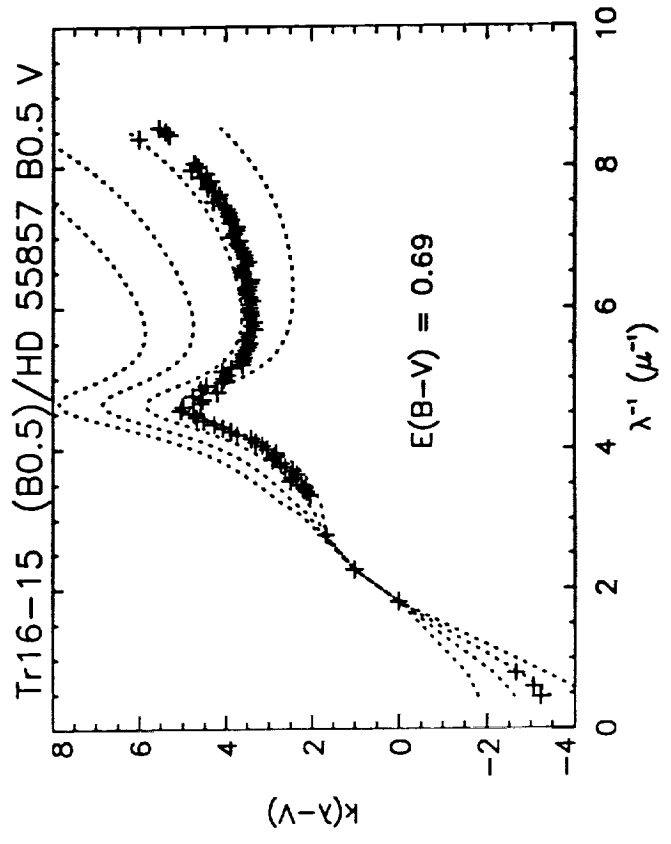
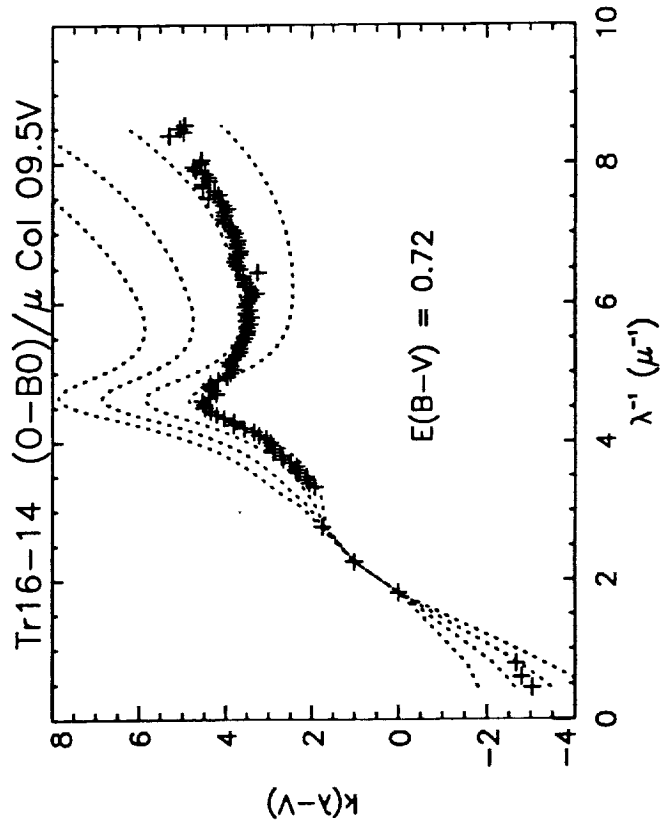
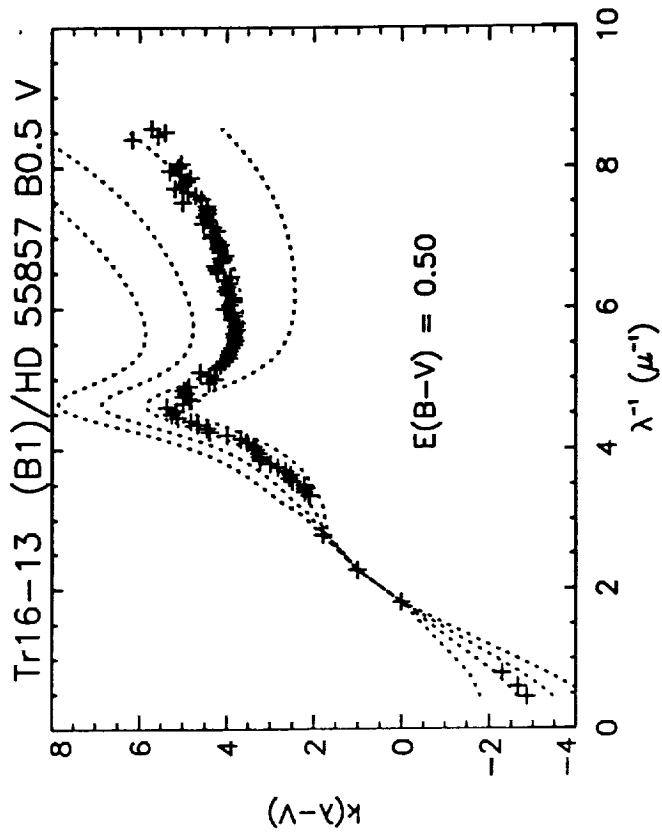
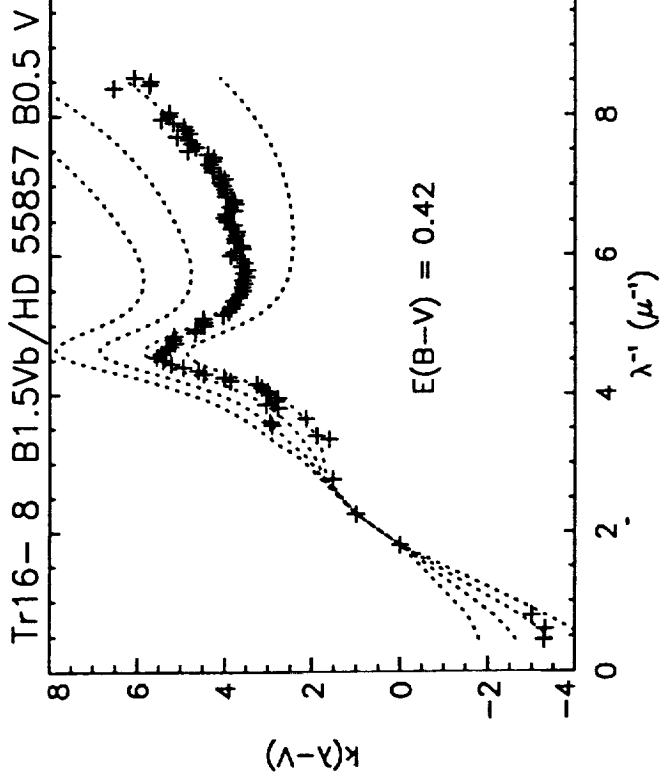


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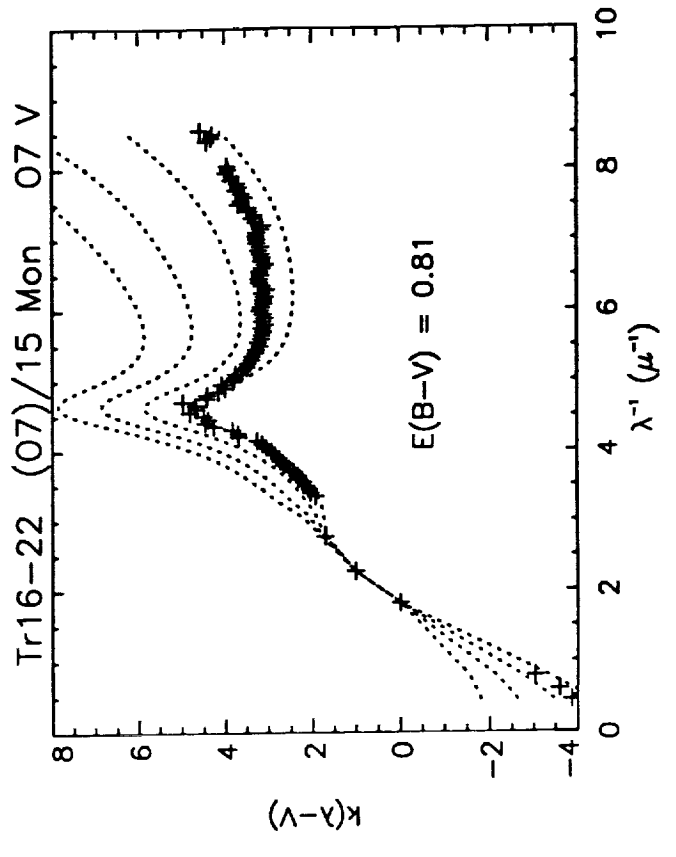
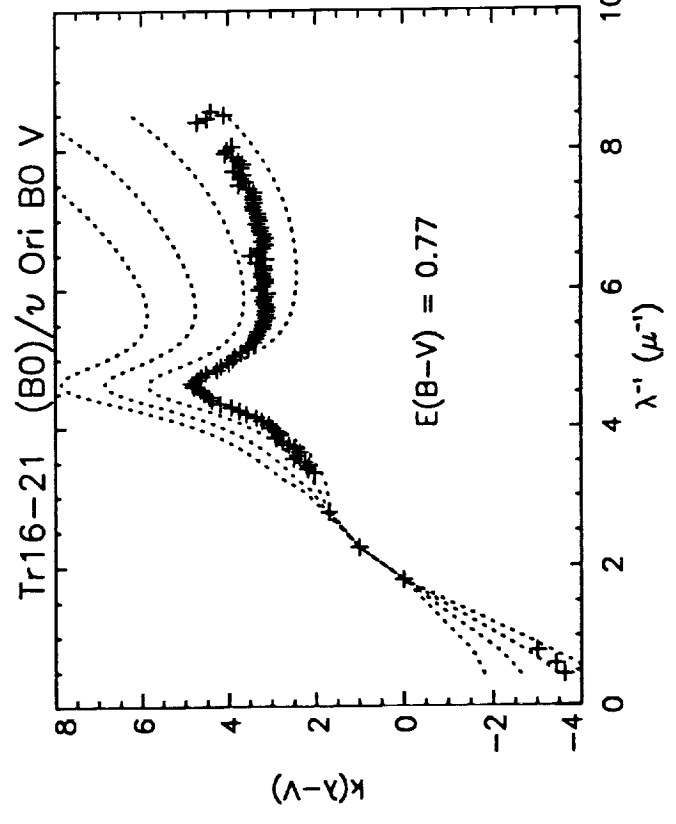
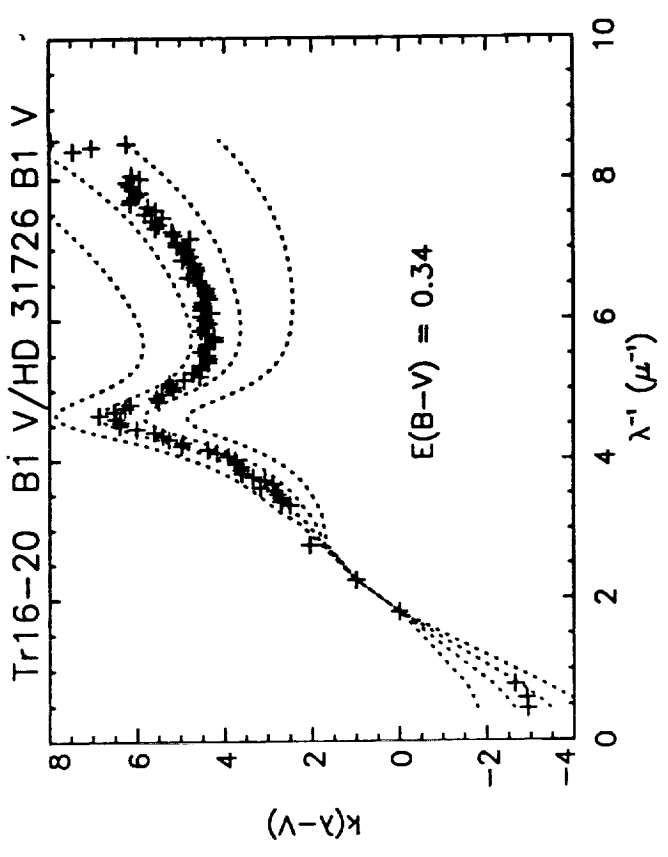
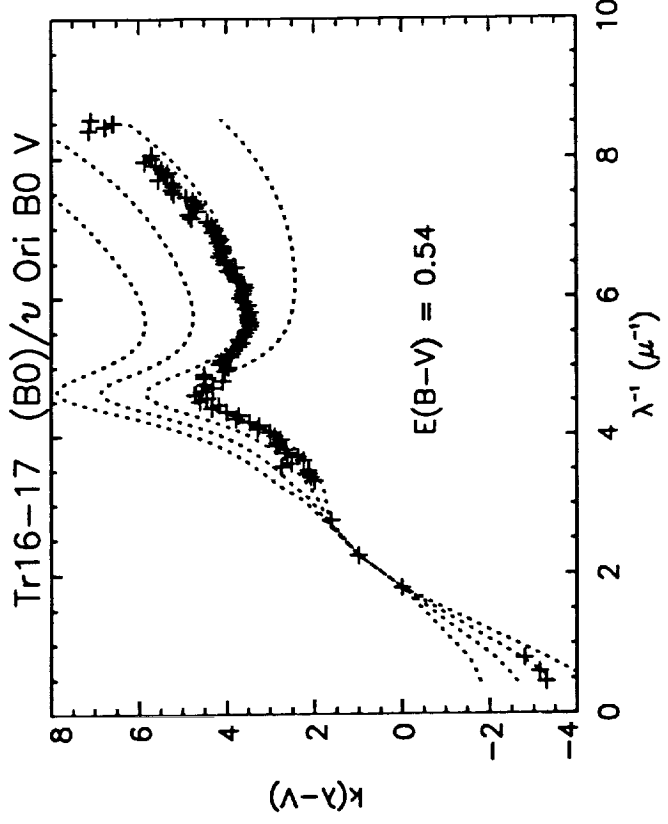


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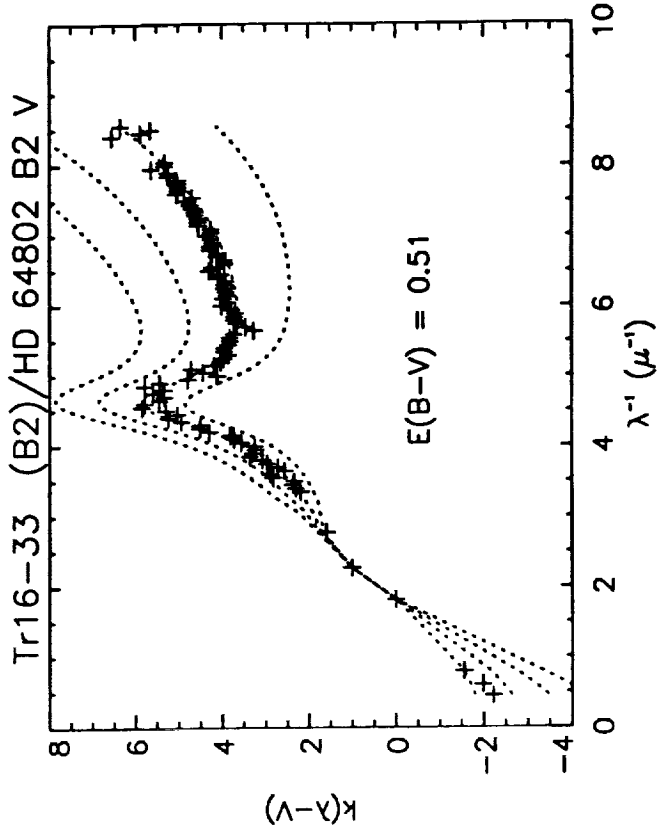
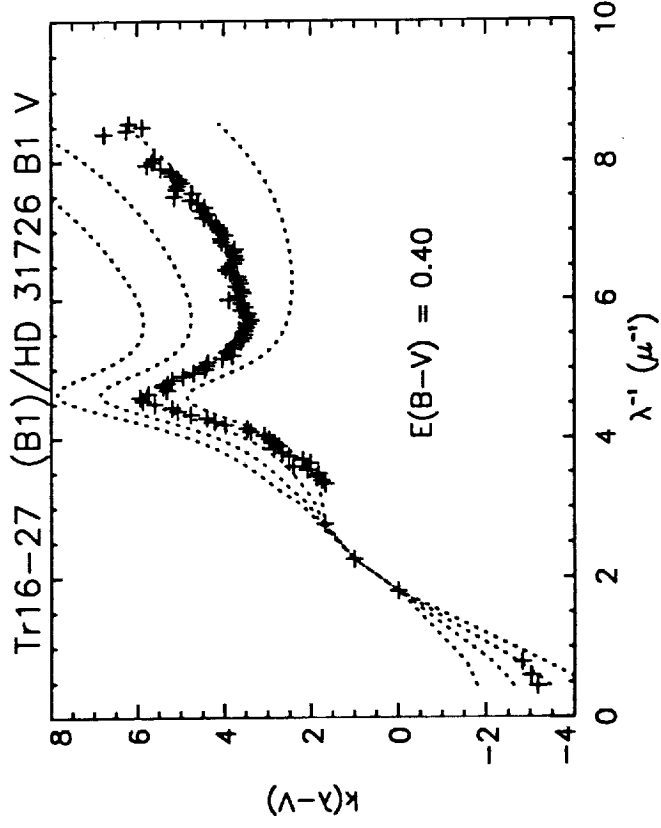
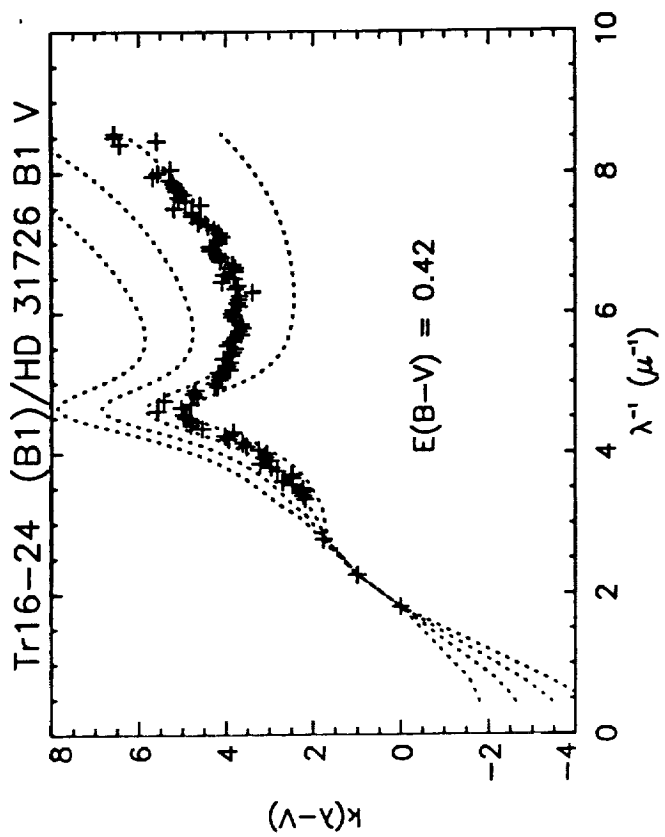
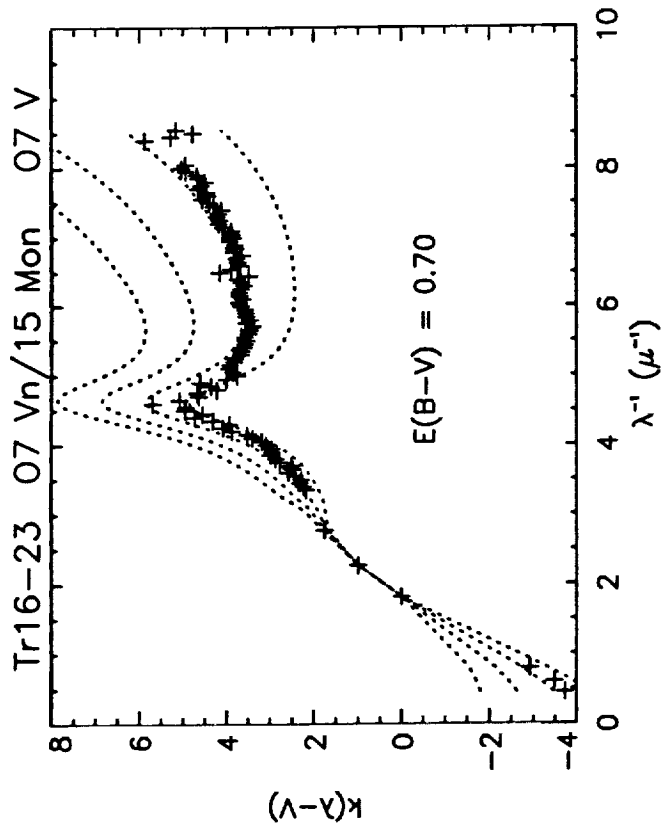


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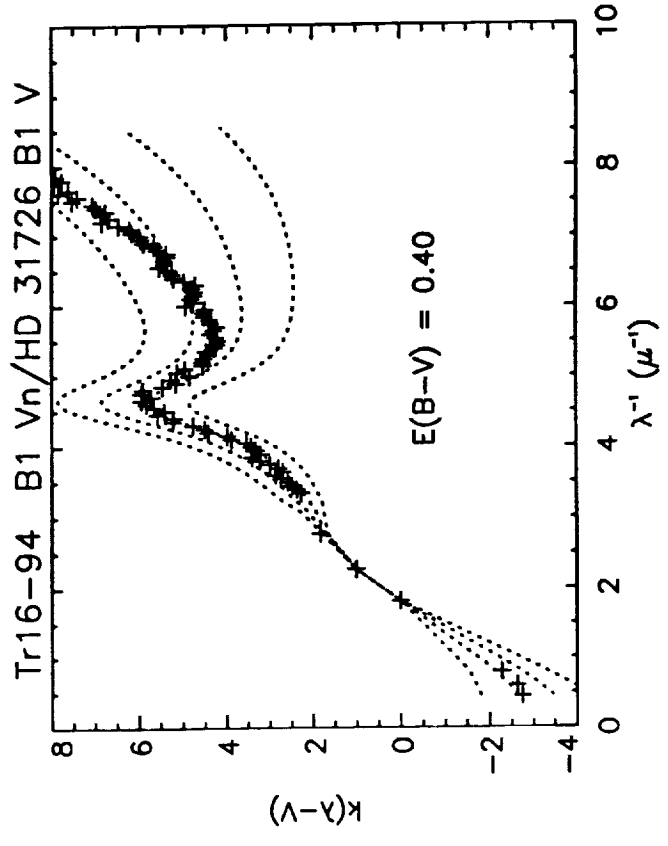
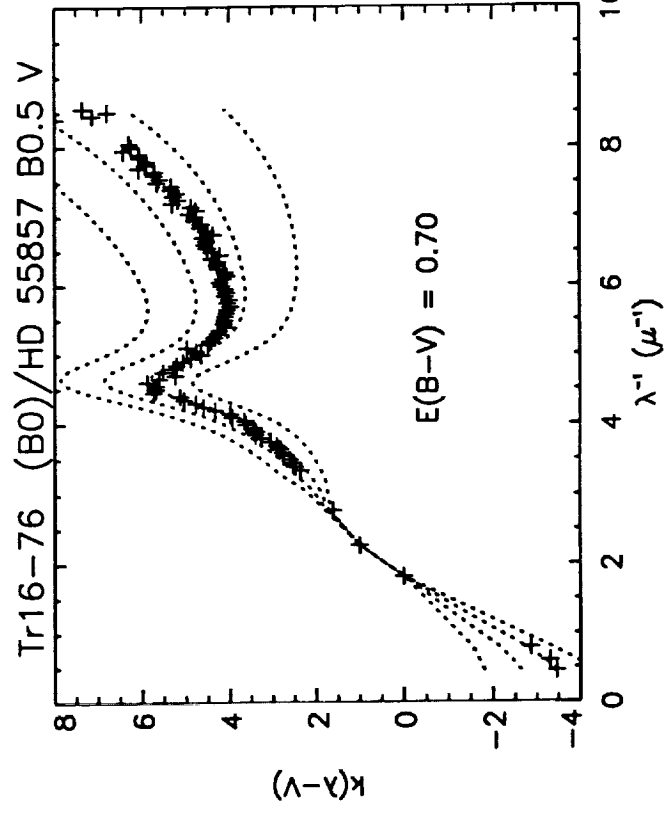
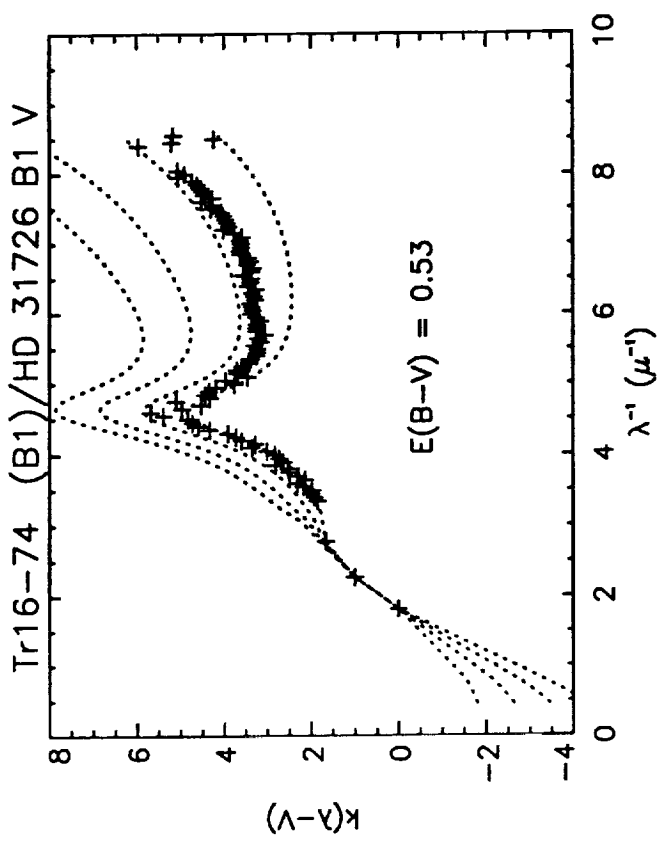
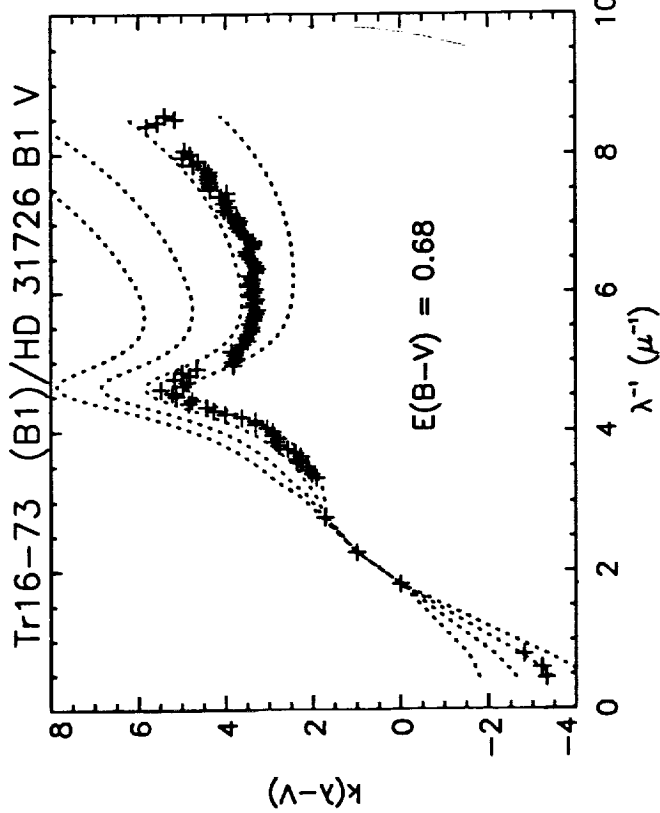


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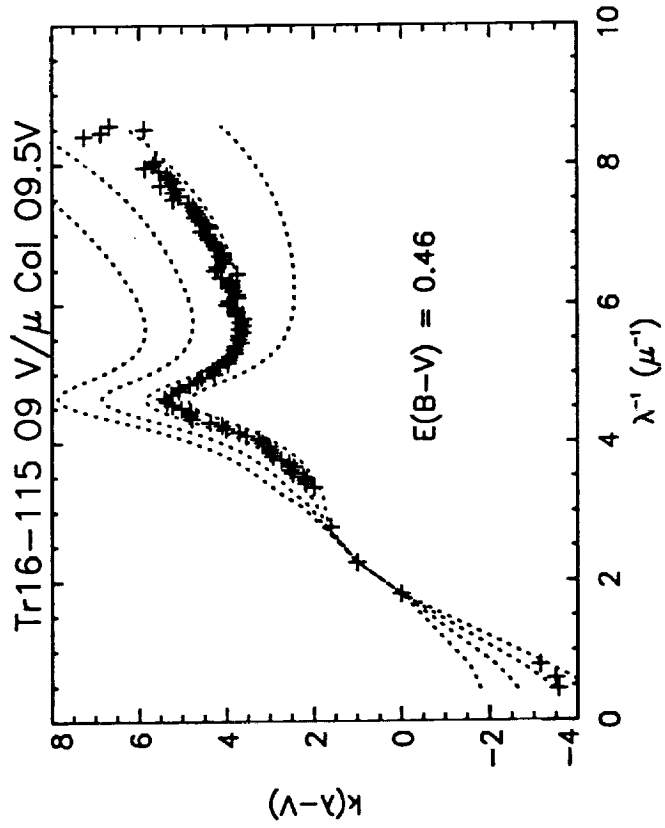


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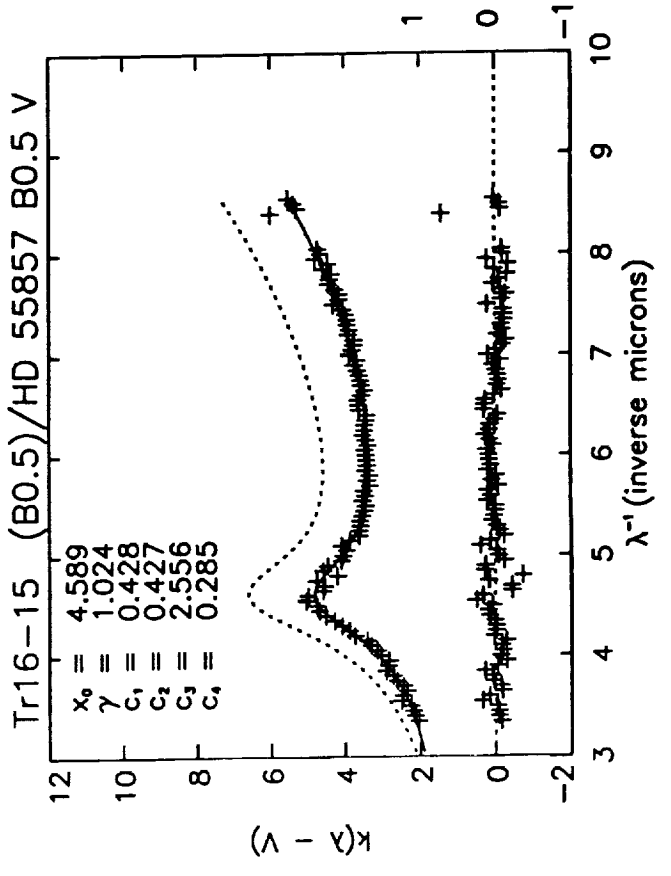
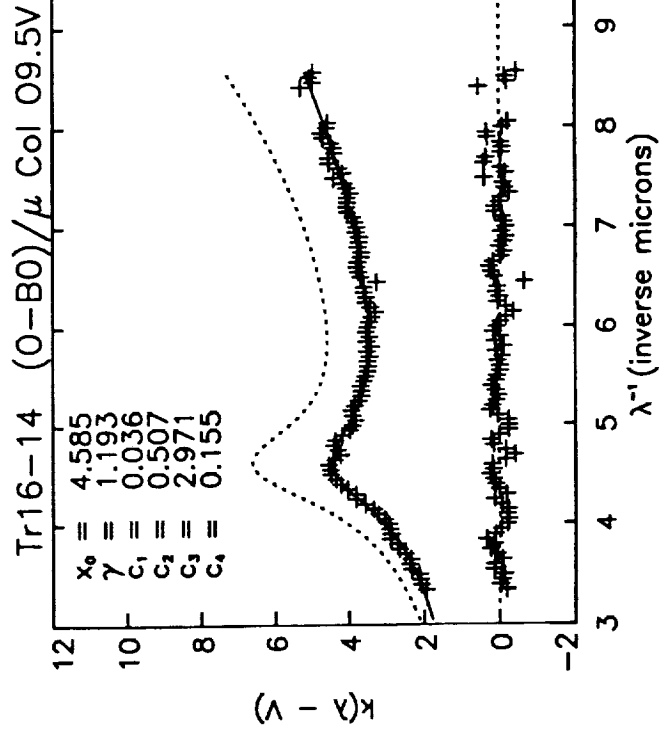
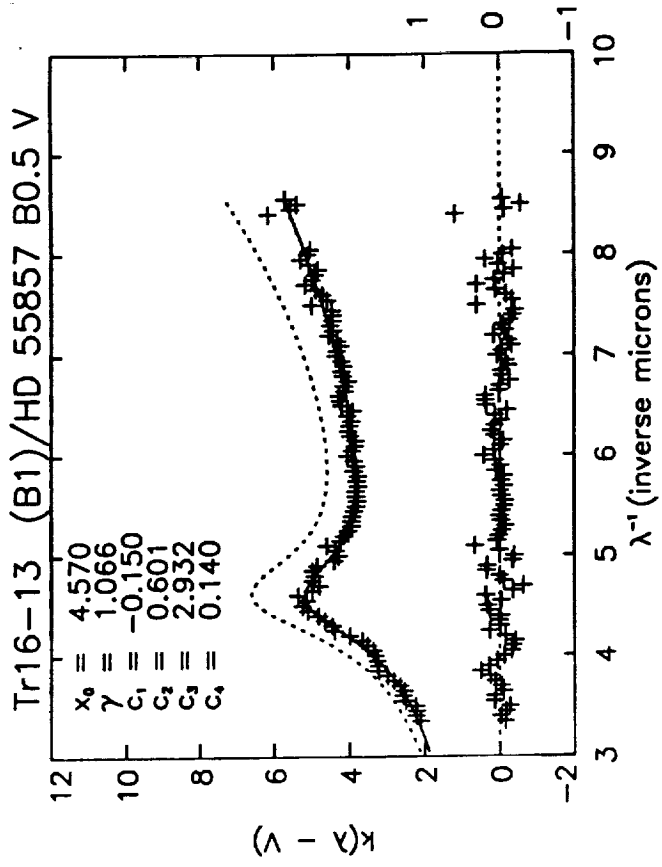
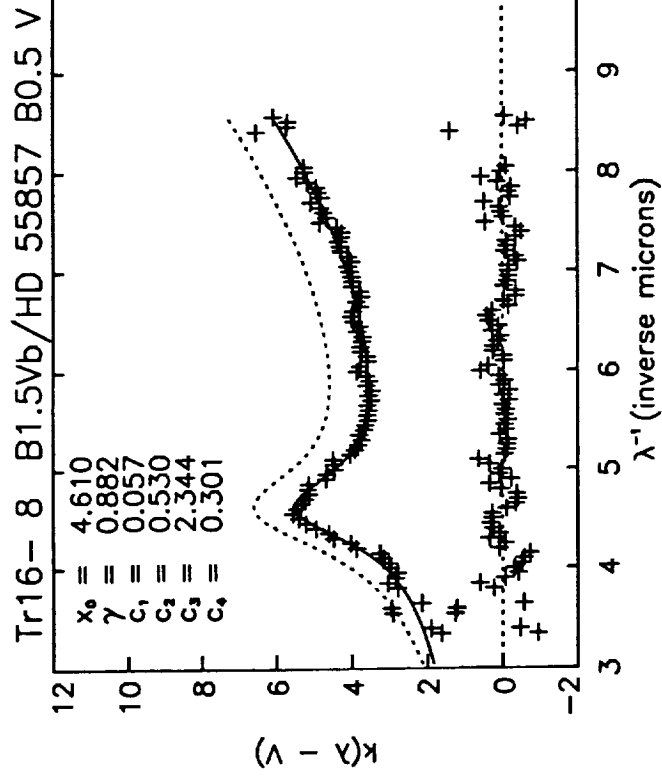


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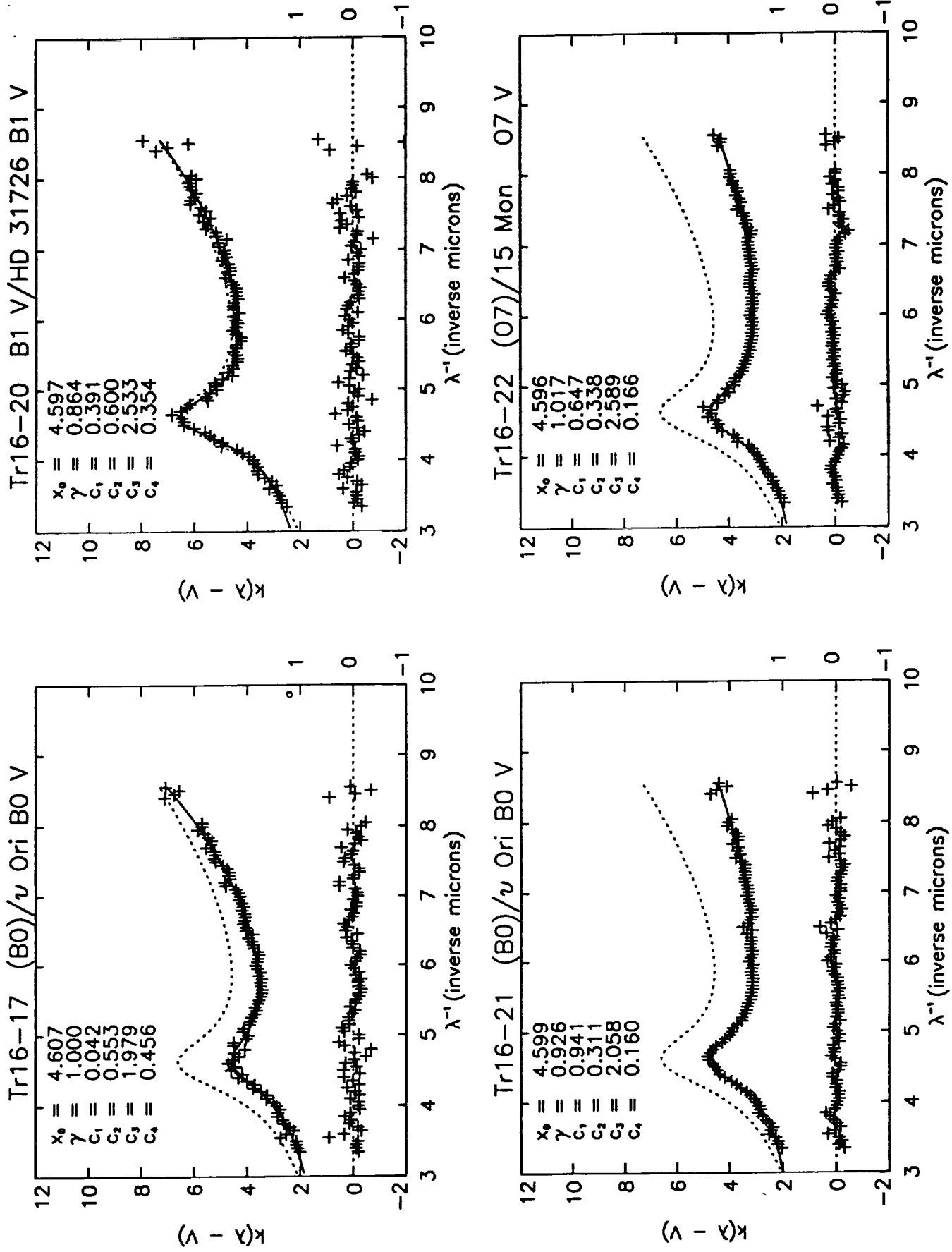
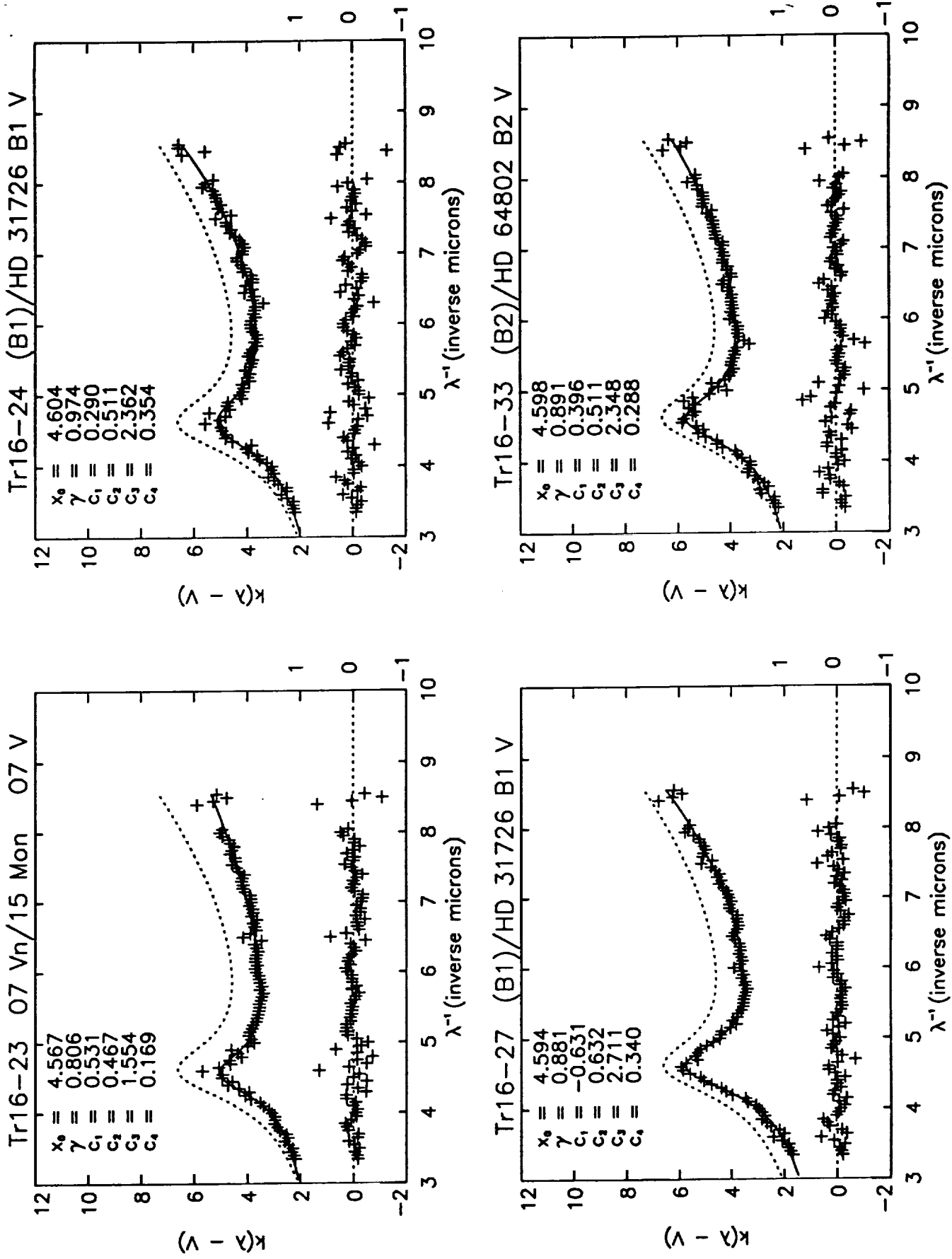


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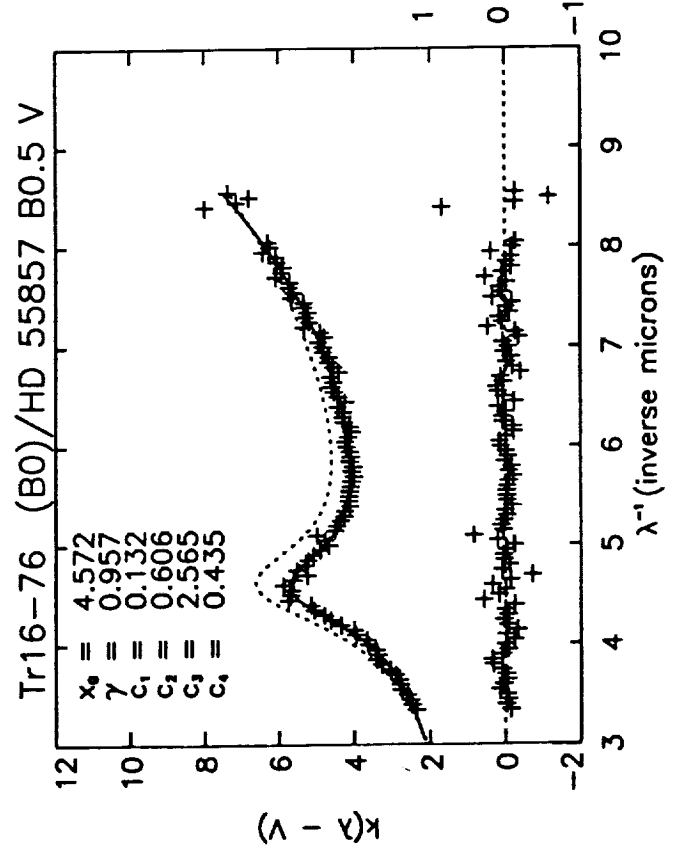
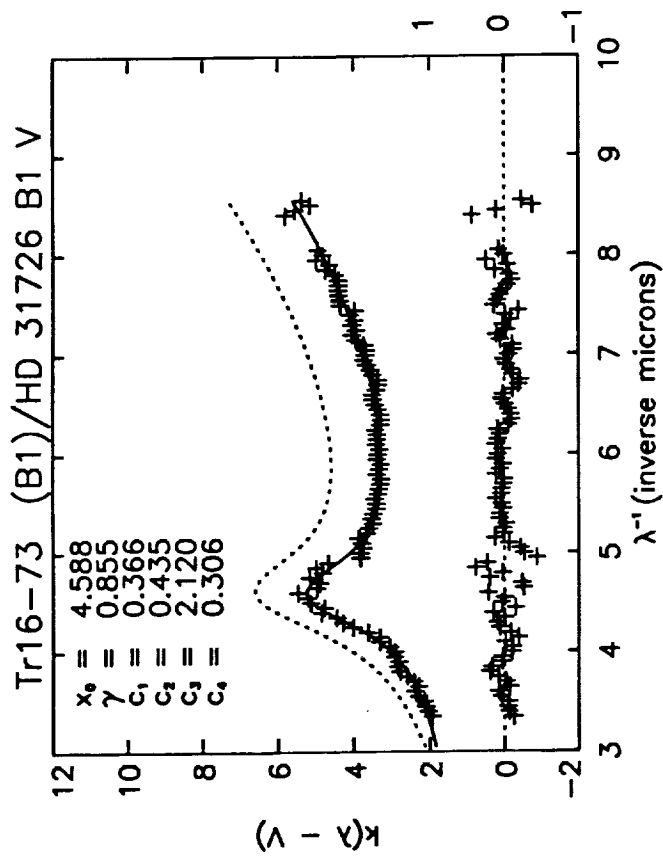
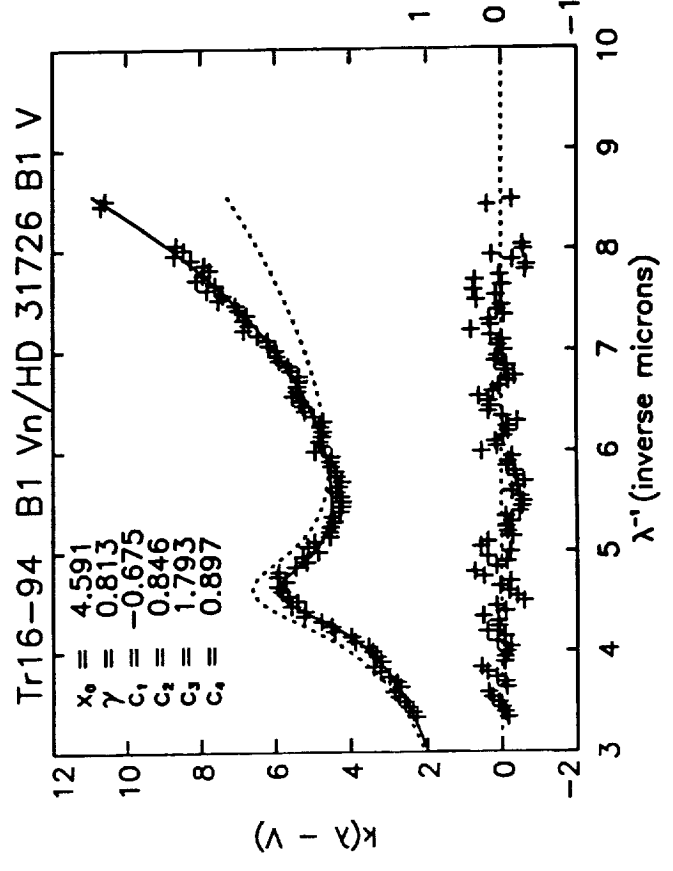
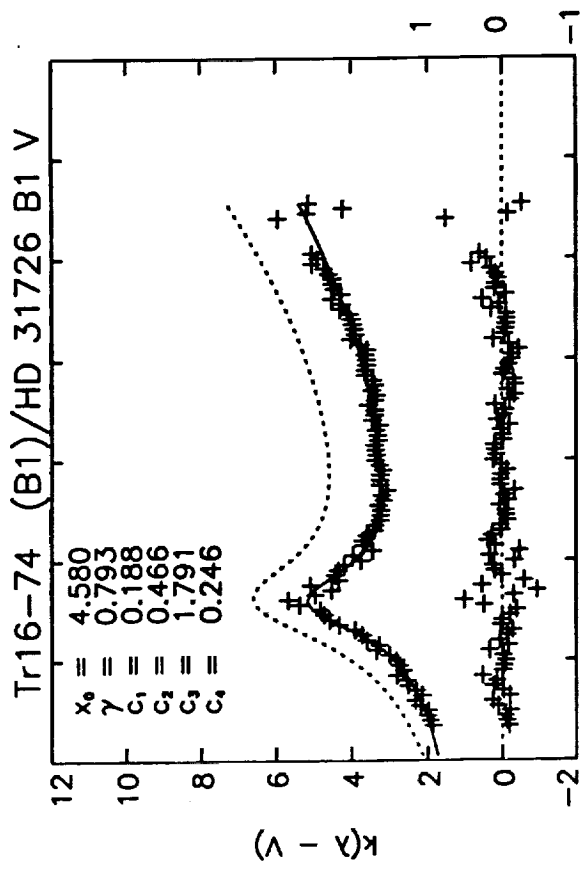
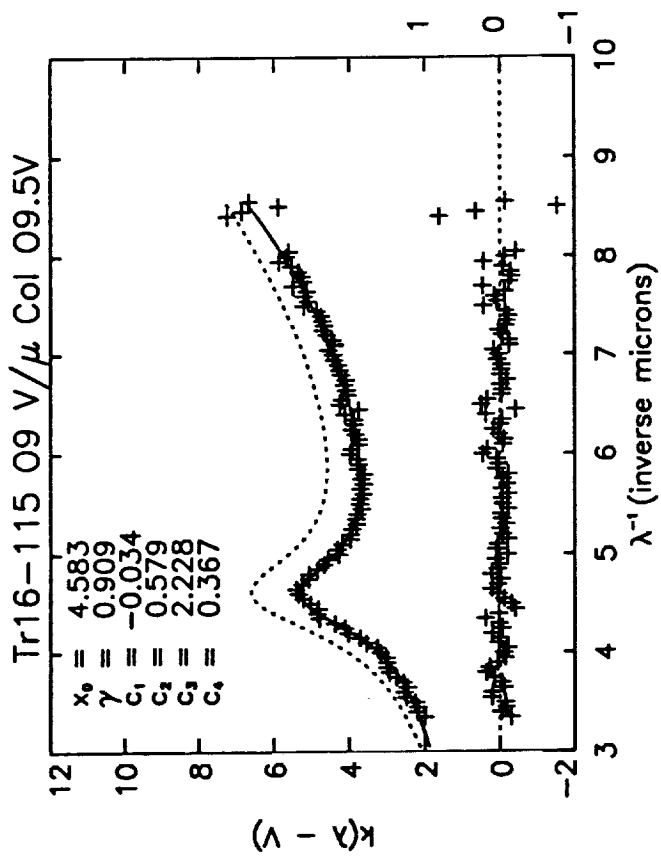


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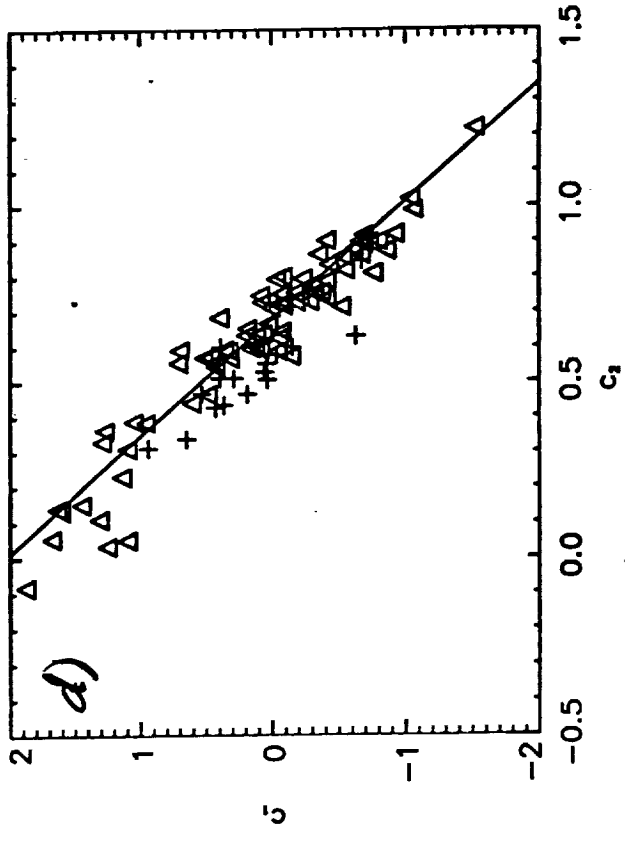
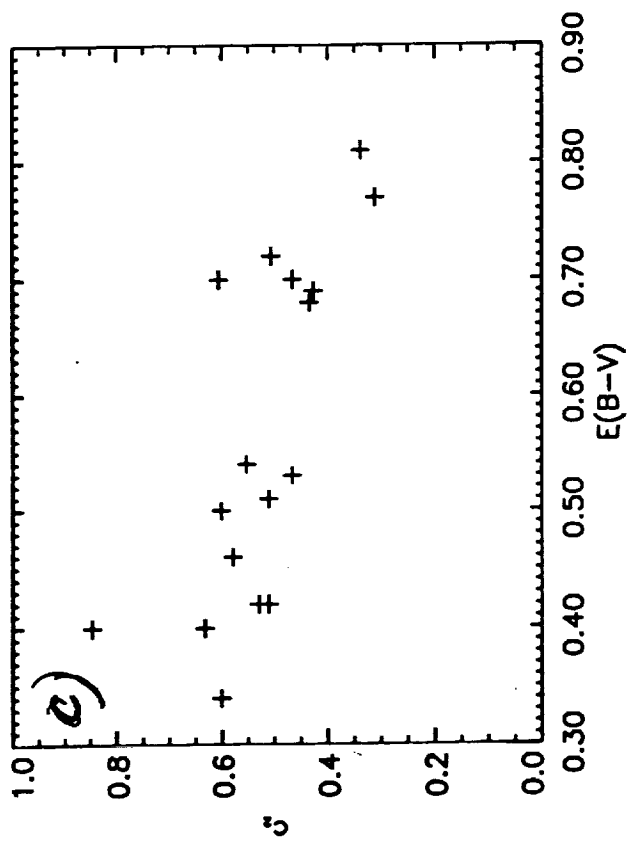
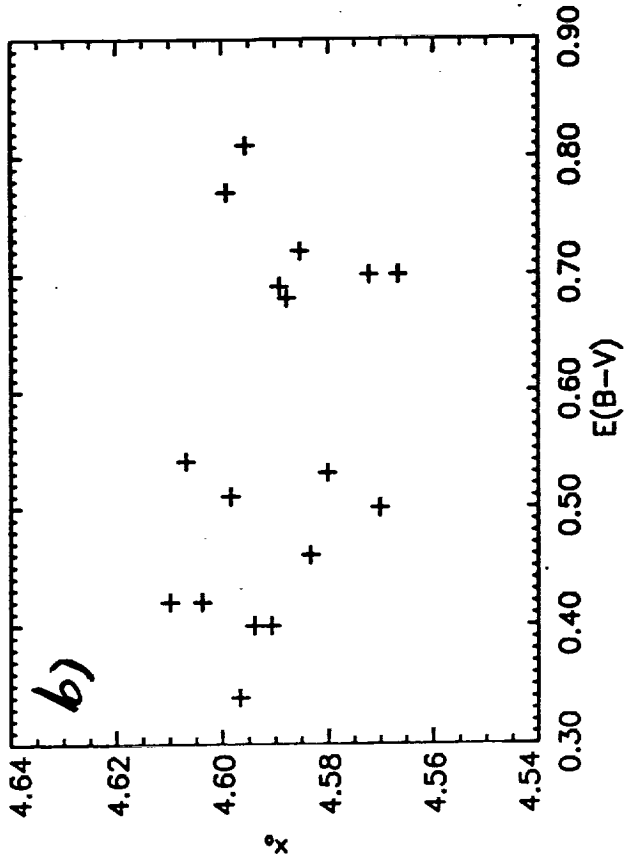
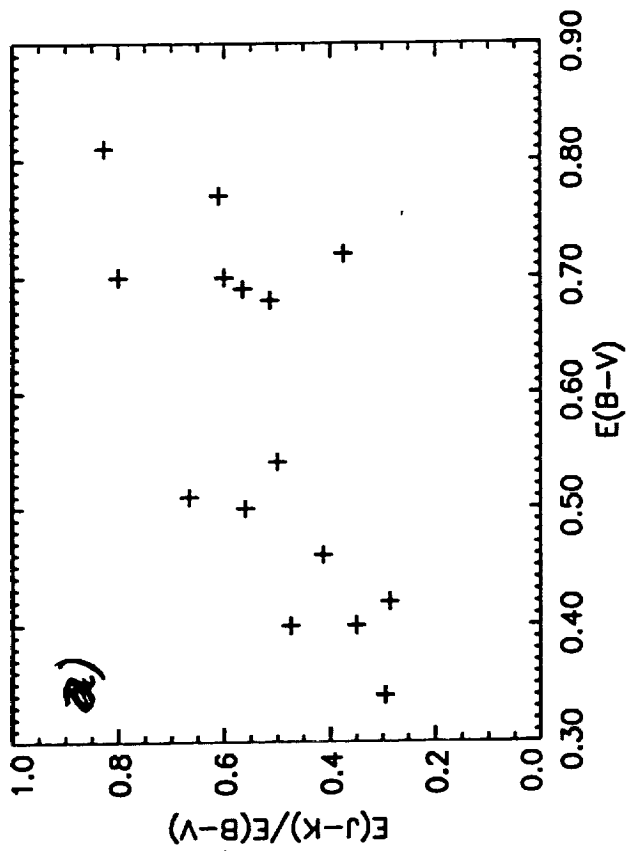


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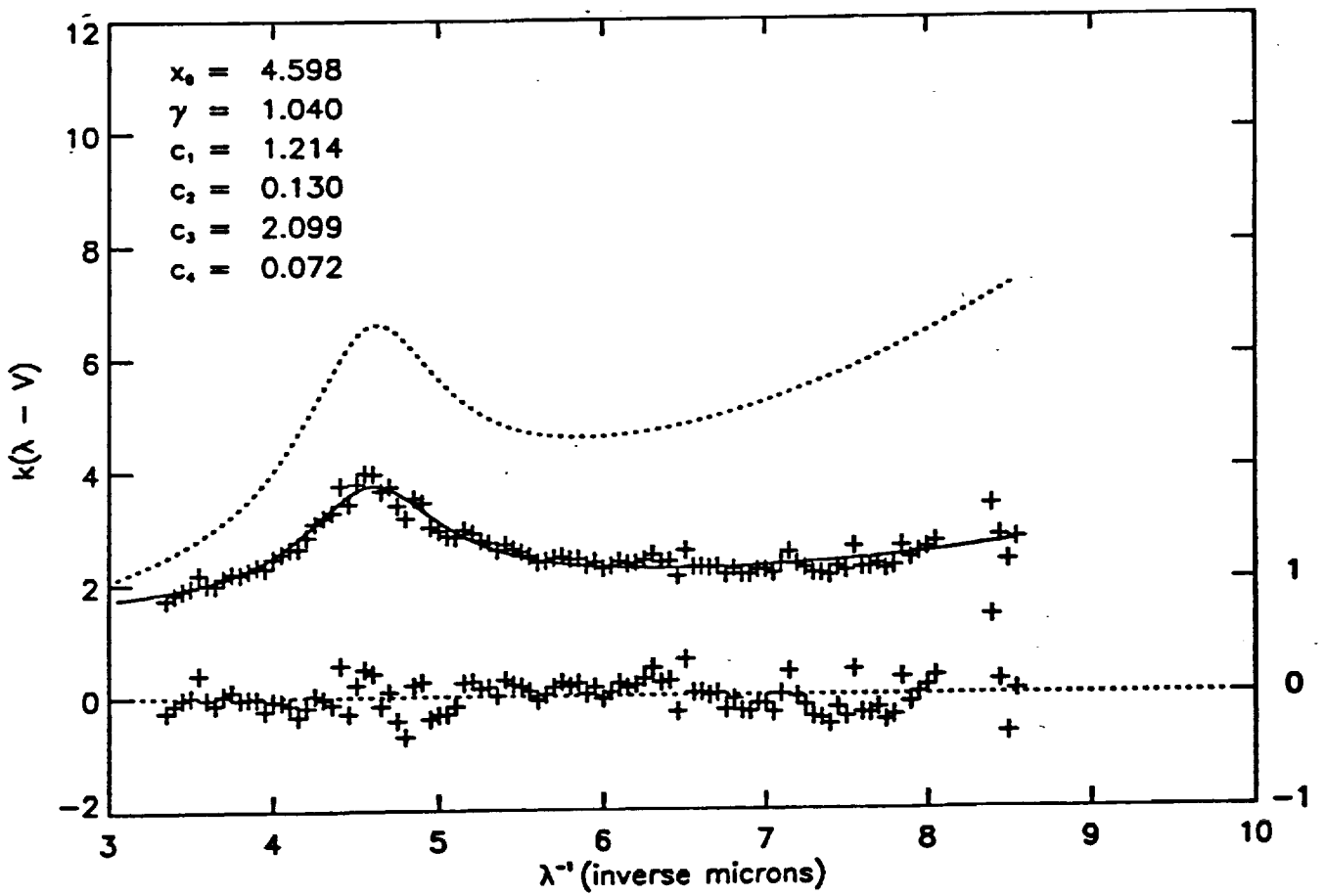
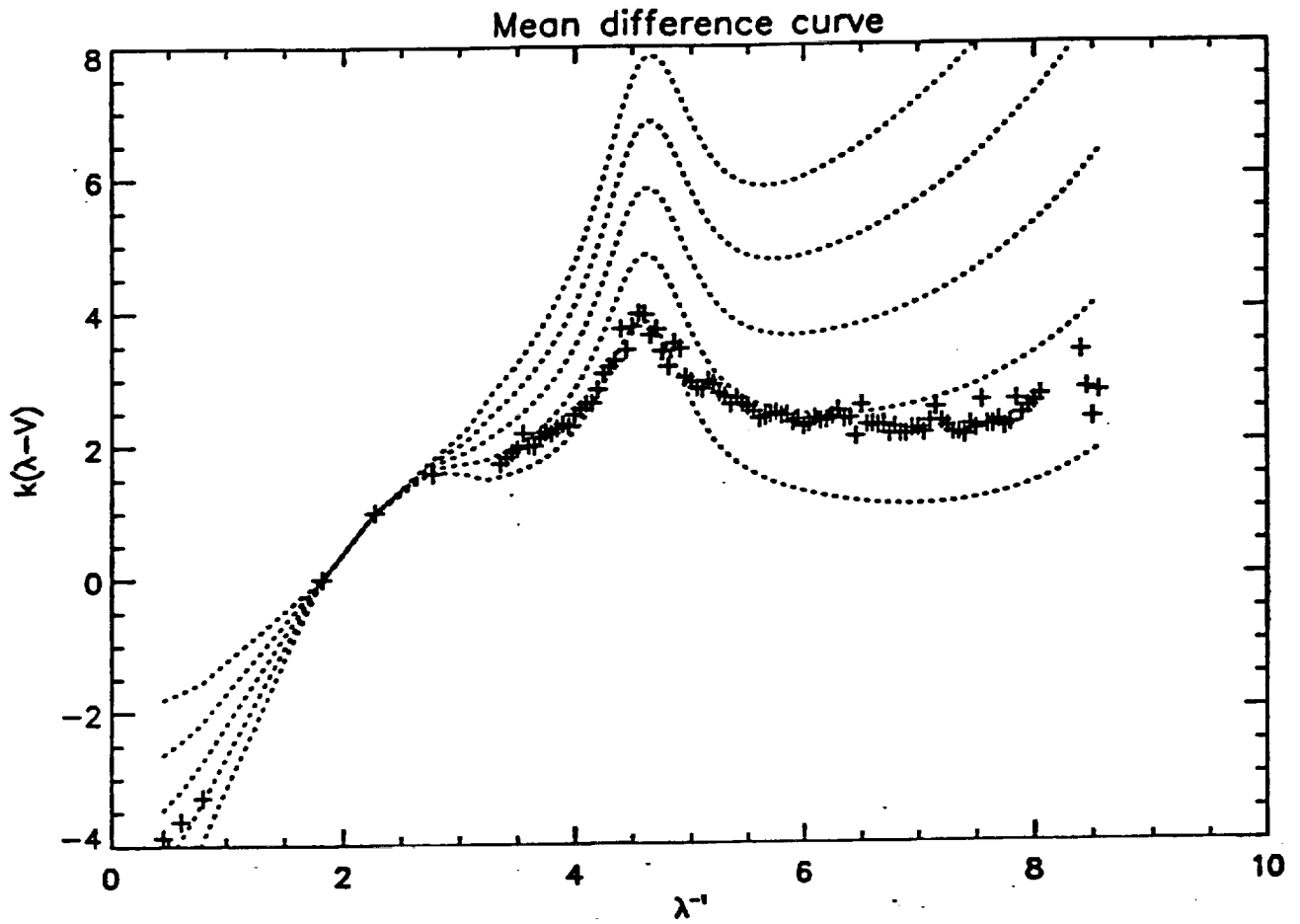


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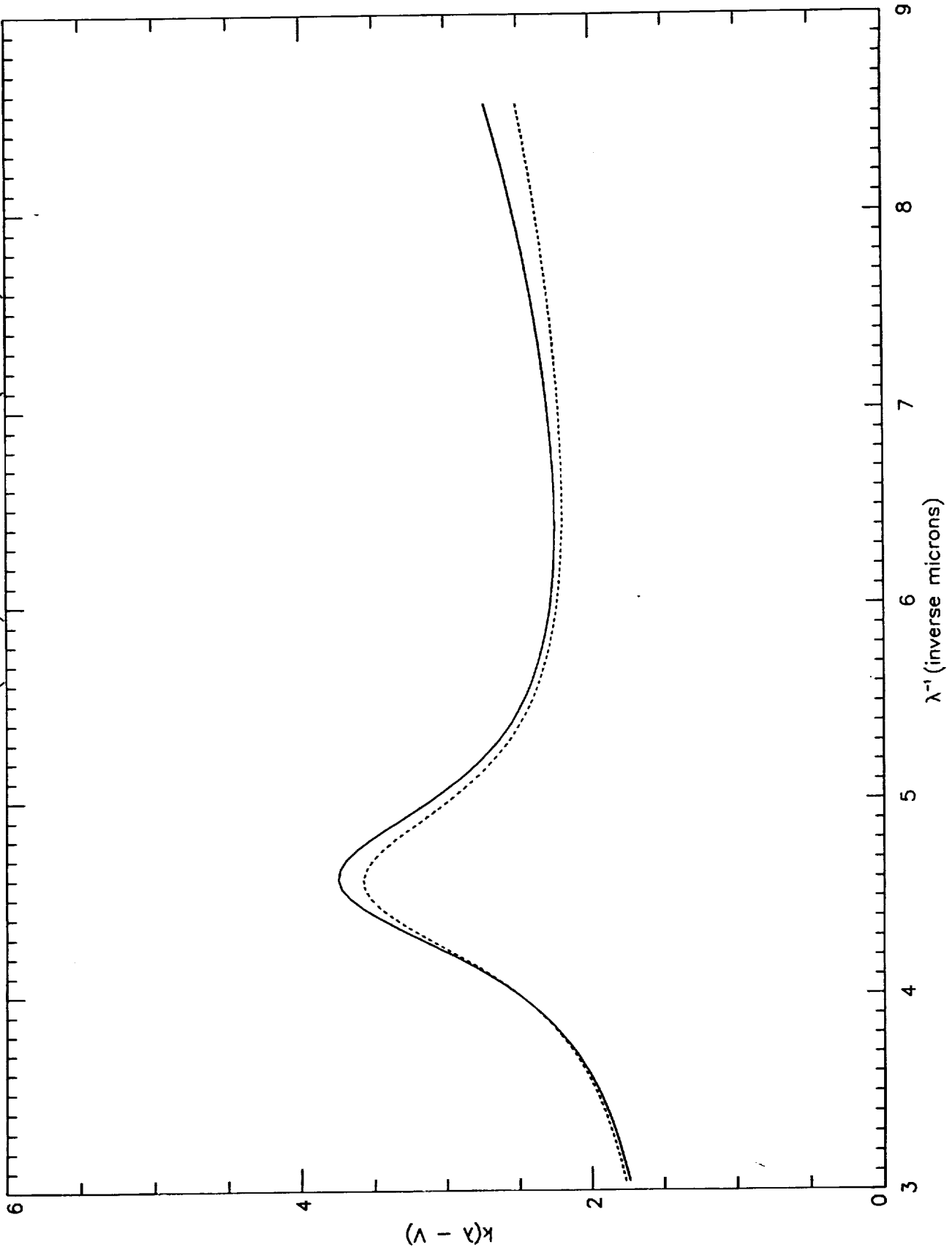


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