

Mercury

Venus

Earth

Mars

Jupiter

Saturn

Uranus

Neptune

Exoplanets!







Homework: due now!

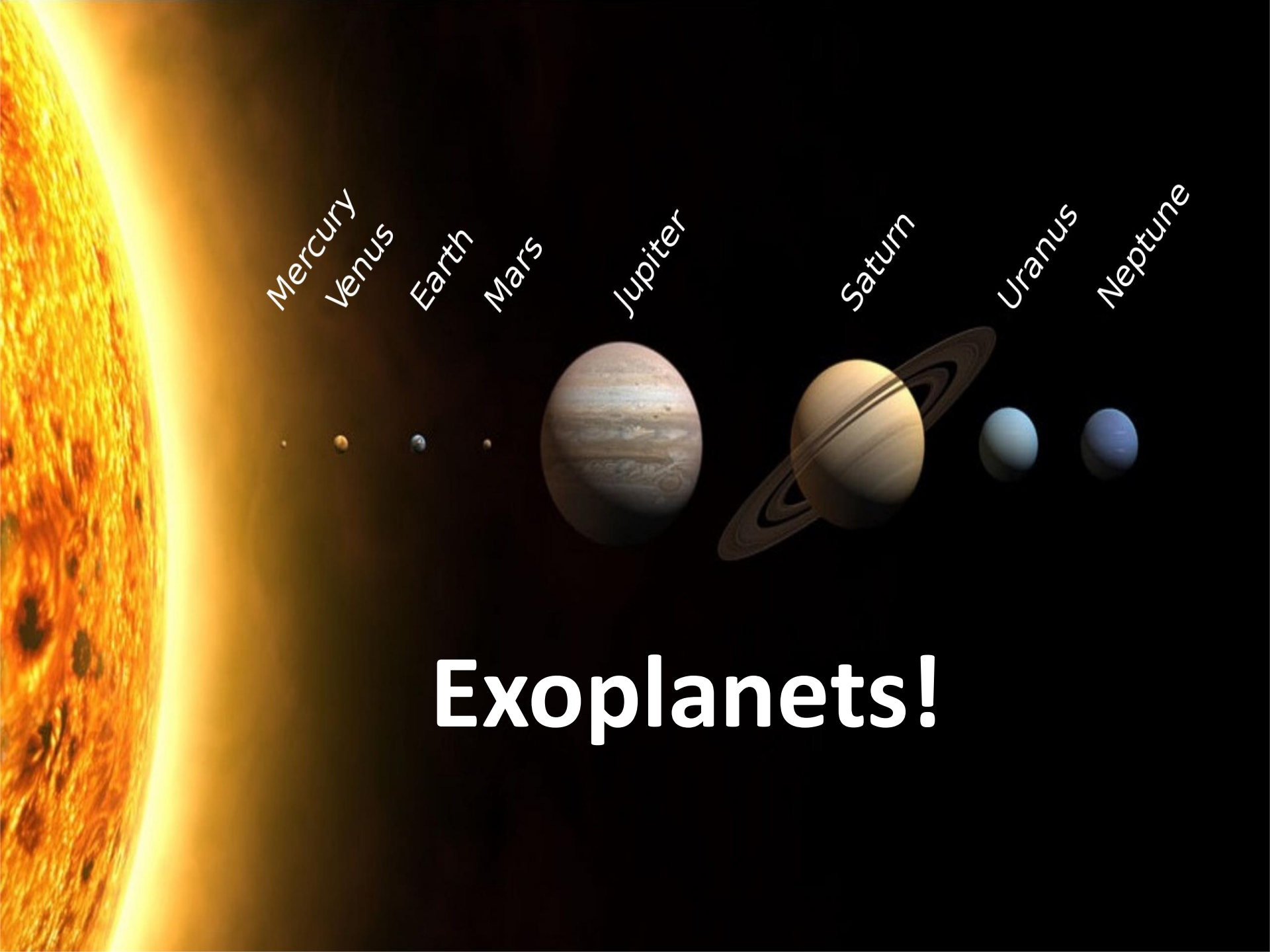
Probably a 2-week turnaround for grades

Project 1: due on 10.24

- Due before class on October 24
- Oral report
 - 5 min (don't go over)
 - Max 7 slides (including intro slide)
- Choose any astronomy-related topic
- Make it interesting!
- Upload video to PKU server

The Origin of the Solar System Elements

1 H	big bang fusion 										cosmic ray fission 					2 He						
3 Li	4 Be	merging neutron stars? 										exploding massive stars 					5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
11 Na	12 Mg	dying low mass stars 					exploding white dwarfs 					13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar					
19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr					
37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe					
55 Cs	56 Ba	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn						
87 Fr	88 Ra																					
		57 La	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb	71 Lu						
		89 Ac	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	Very radioactive isotopes; nothing left from stars														



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Exoplanets

5,766 confirmed exoplanets!

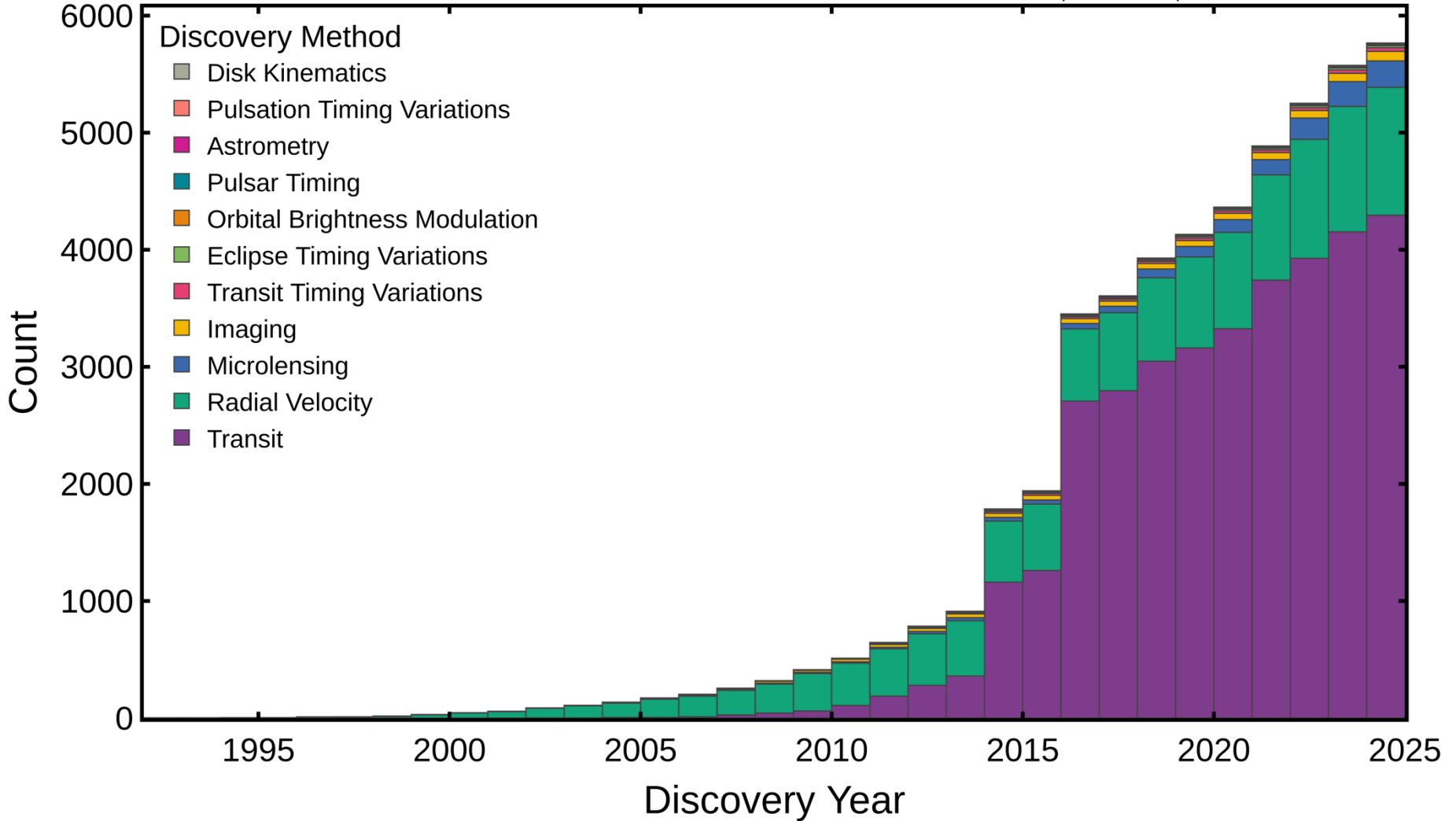
first detection around normal star: 1995

~8,000 more likely planets

This is amazing!

Cumulative Counts vs Discovery Year

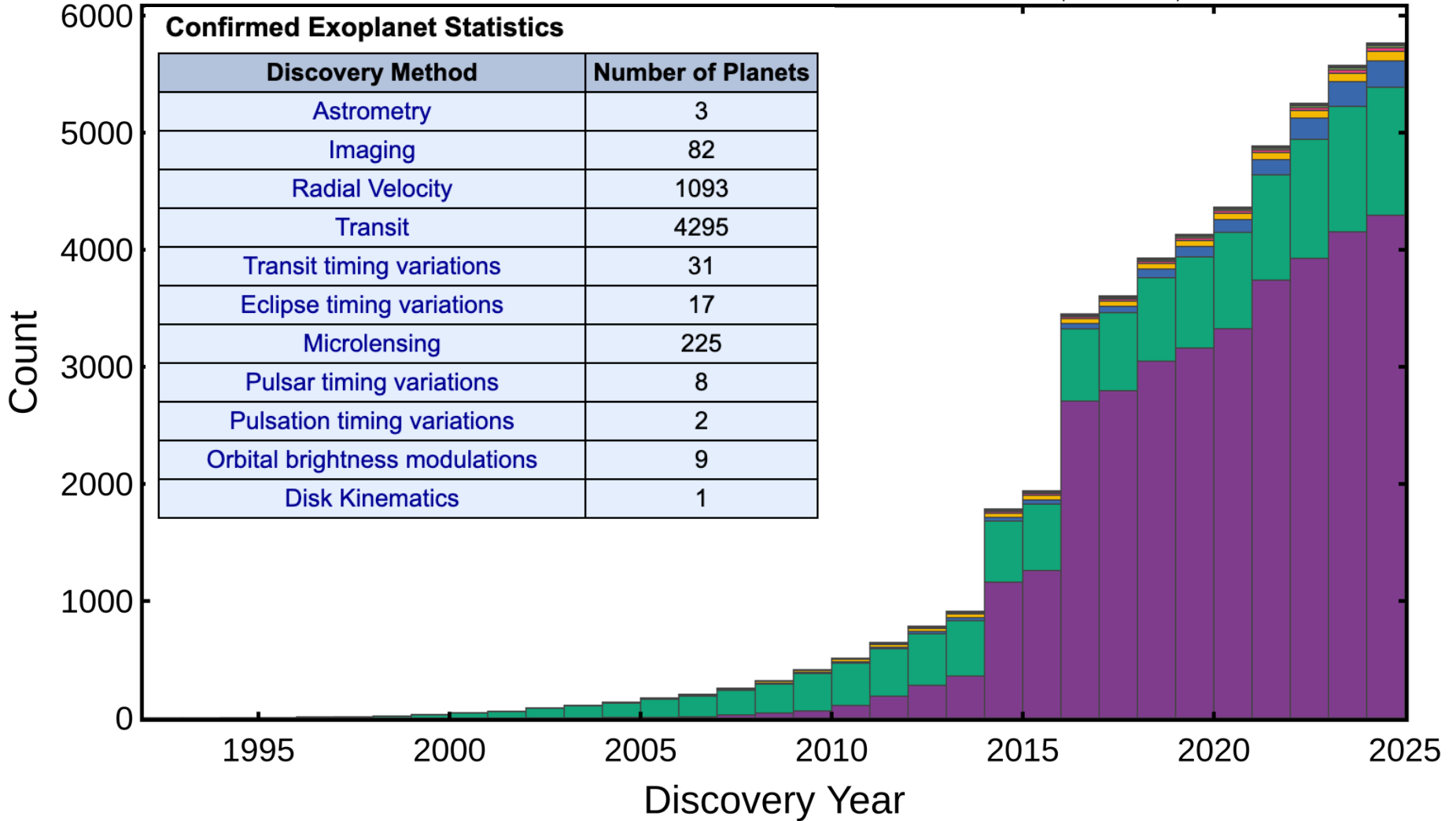
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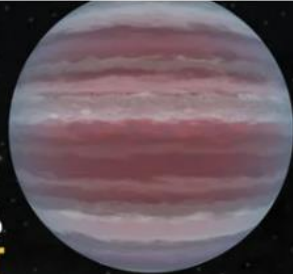
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Confirmed Exoplanet Statistics	
Discovery Method	Number of Planets
Astrometry	3
Imaging	82
Radial Velocity	1093
Transit	4295
Transit timing variations	31
Eclipse timing variations	17
Microlensing	225
Pulsar timing variations	8
Pulsation timing variations	2
Orbital brightness modulations	9
Disk Kinematics	1



30%
GAS GIANT

The size of Saturn or Jupiter (the largest planet in our solar system), or many times bigger. They can be hotter than some stars!



31%
SUPER-EARTH

Planets in this size range between Earth and Neptune don't exist in our solar system. Super-Earths, a reference to larger size, might be rocky worlds like Earth, while mini-Neptunes are likely shrouded in puffy atmospheres.



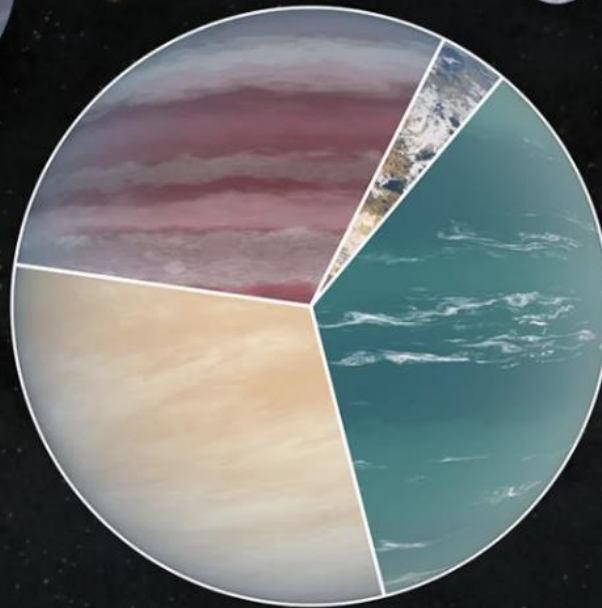
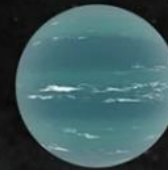
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TERRESTRIAL

Small, rocky planets. Around the size of our home planet, or a little smaller.



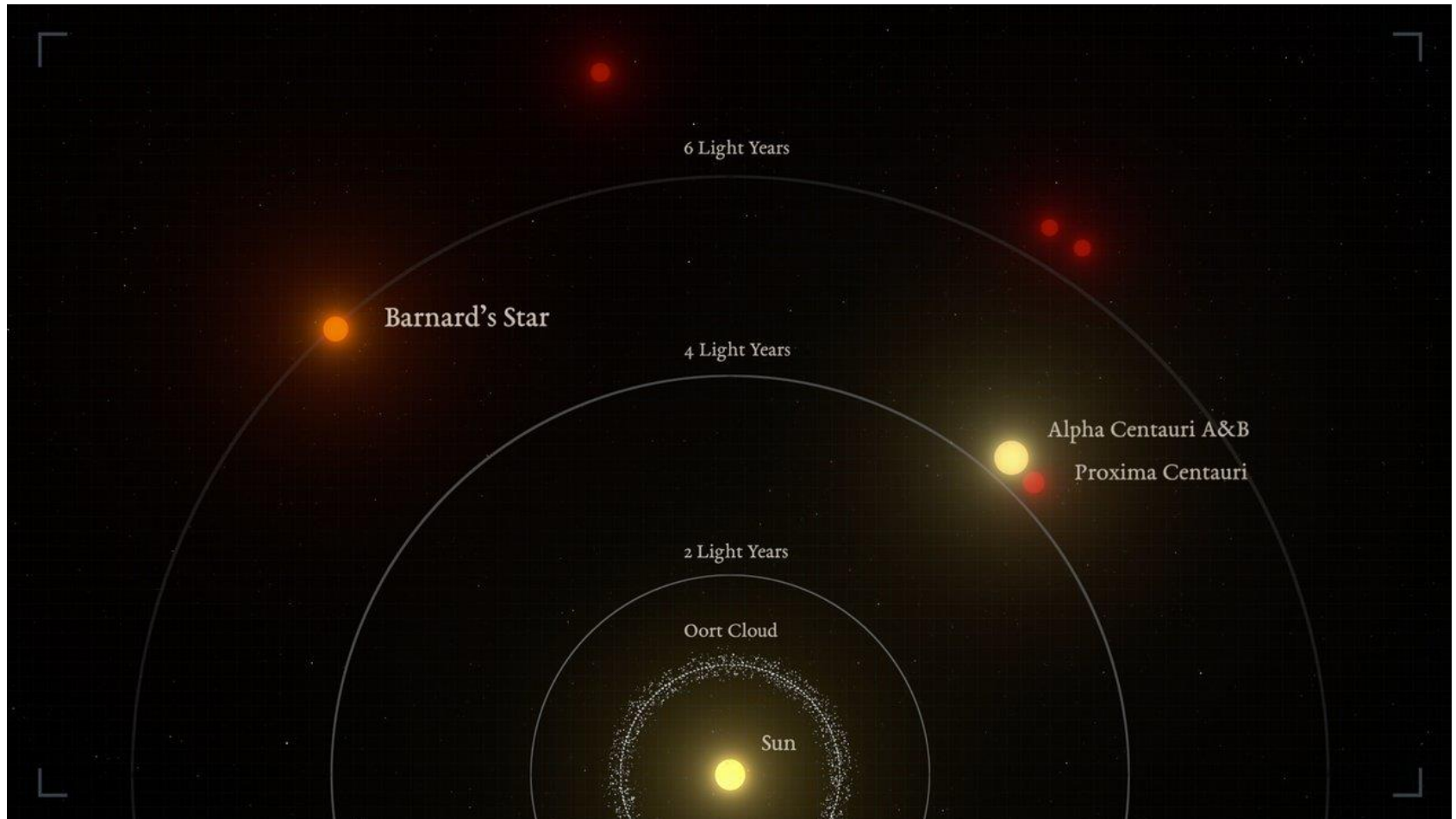
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NEPTUNE-LIKE

Similar in size to Neptune and Uranus. They can be ice giants, or much warmer. "Warm" Neptunes are more rare.



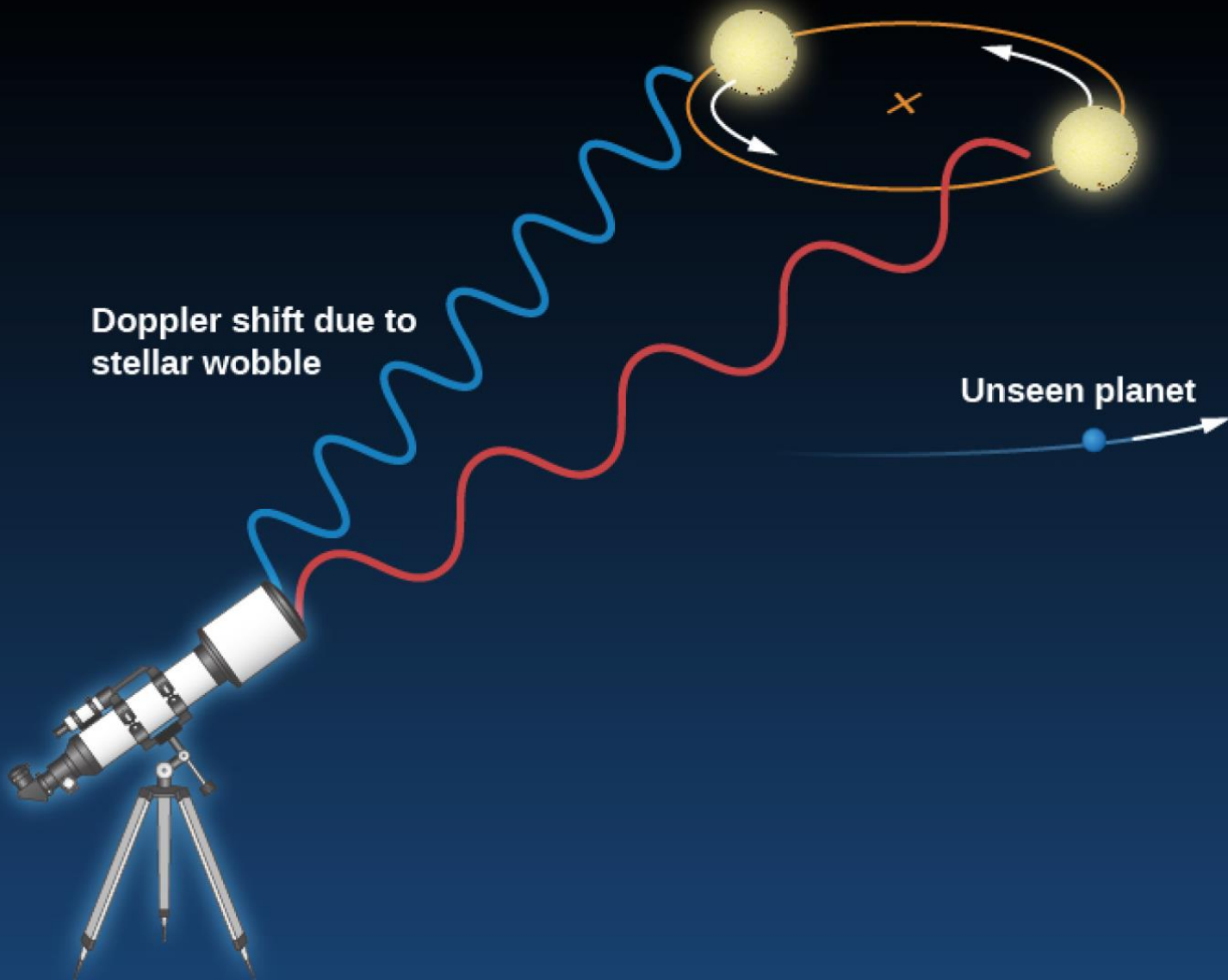
5000+
PLANETS FOUND

Last week: $0.37 M_{\text{earth}}$ planet around Barnard's star
(one of the closest systems to us)



Keywords for Lecture 4

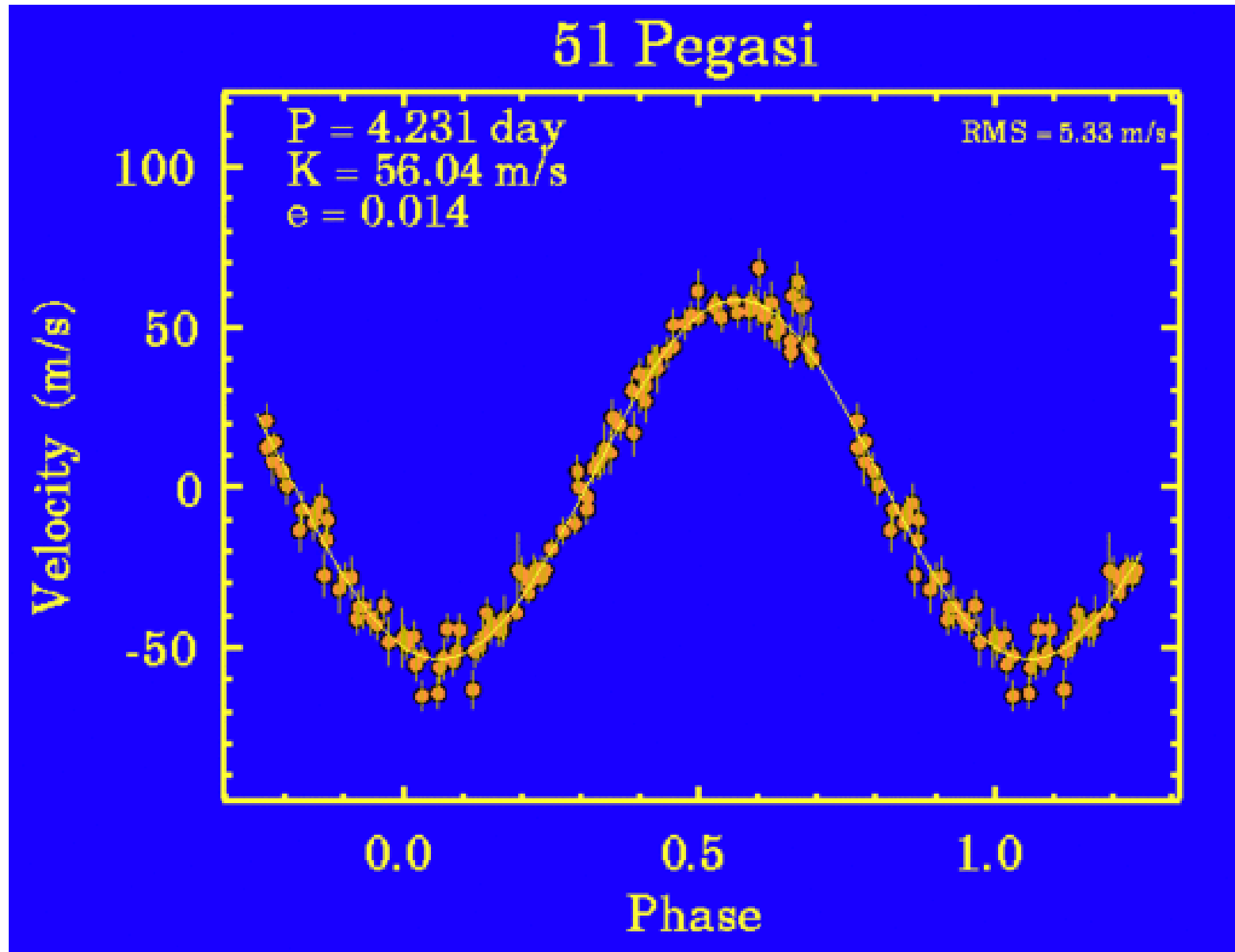
- Exoplanet: a planet around a different star
- Detection techniques: how exoplanets are detected?
 - Radial Velocity
 - Transits
 - Direct Imaging
- Atmospheres
- Protoplanetary disks
- Habitability
- Biases



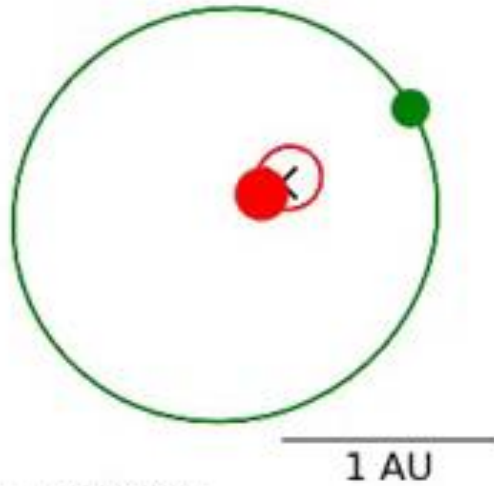
Doppler shift due to stellar wobble

Unseen planet

The first planet: a hot Jupiter



↑
observer



time = 0.000 yr

● star

● planet

(note: planet's mass exaggerated to enhance effect)

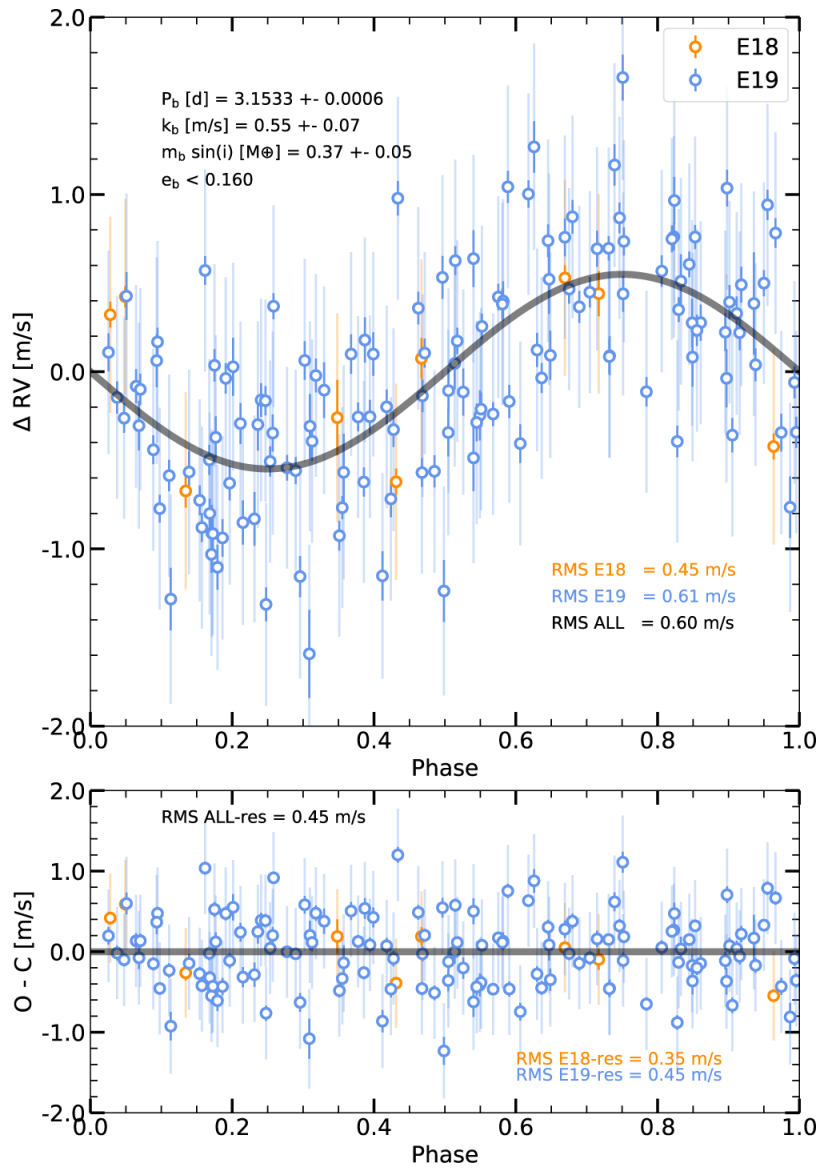
× center of mass

Bias of radial velocity

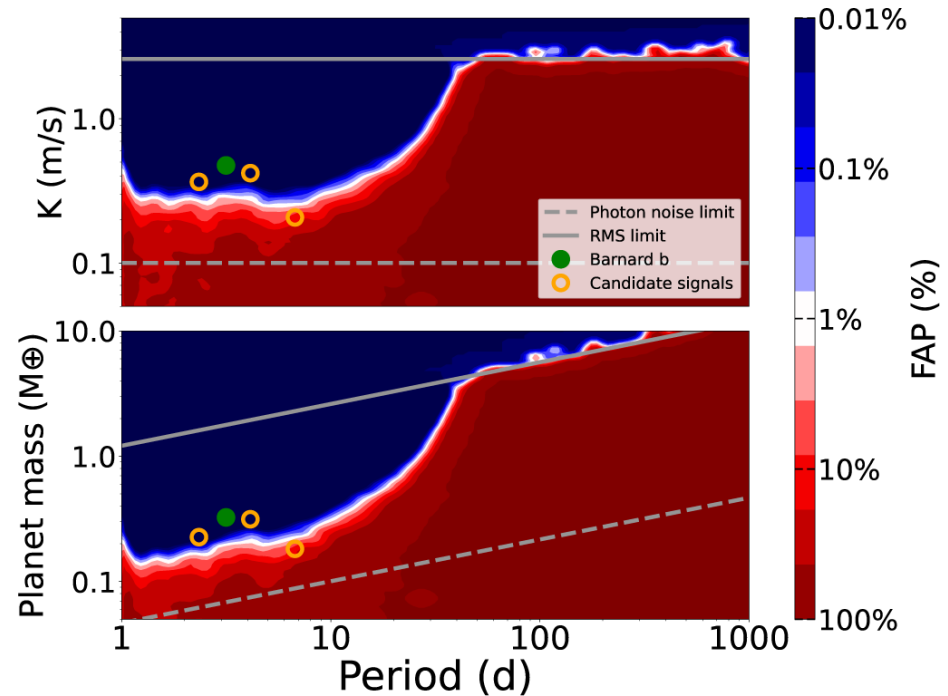
- What kinds of planets are easiest to detect?
 - Higher mass
 - Closer to the star
- Motion of star

$$v_{\text{obs}} = 28.4 \frac{M_P \sin i}{P_{\text{orb}}^{1/3} M_*^{2/3}}$$

- M_P in Jupiter masses
- P_{orb} in years
- M_* in solar masses

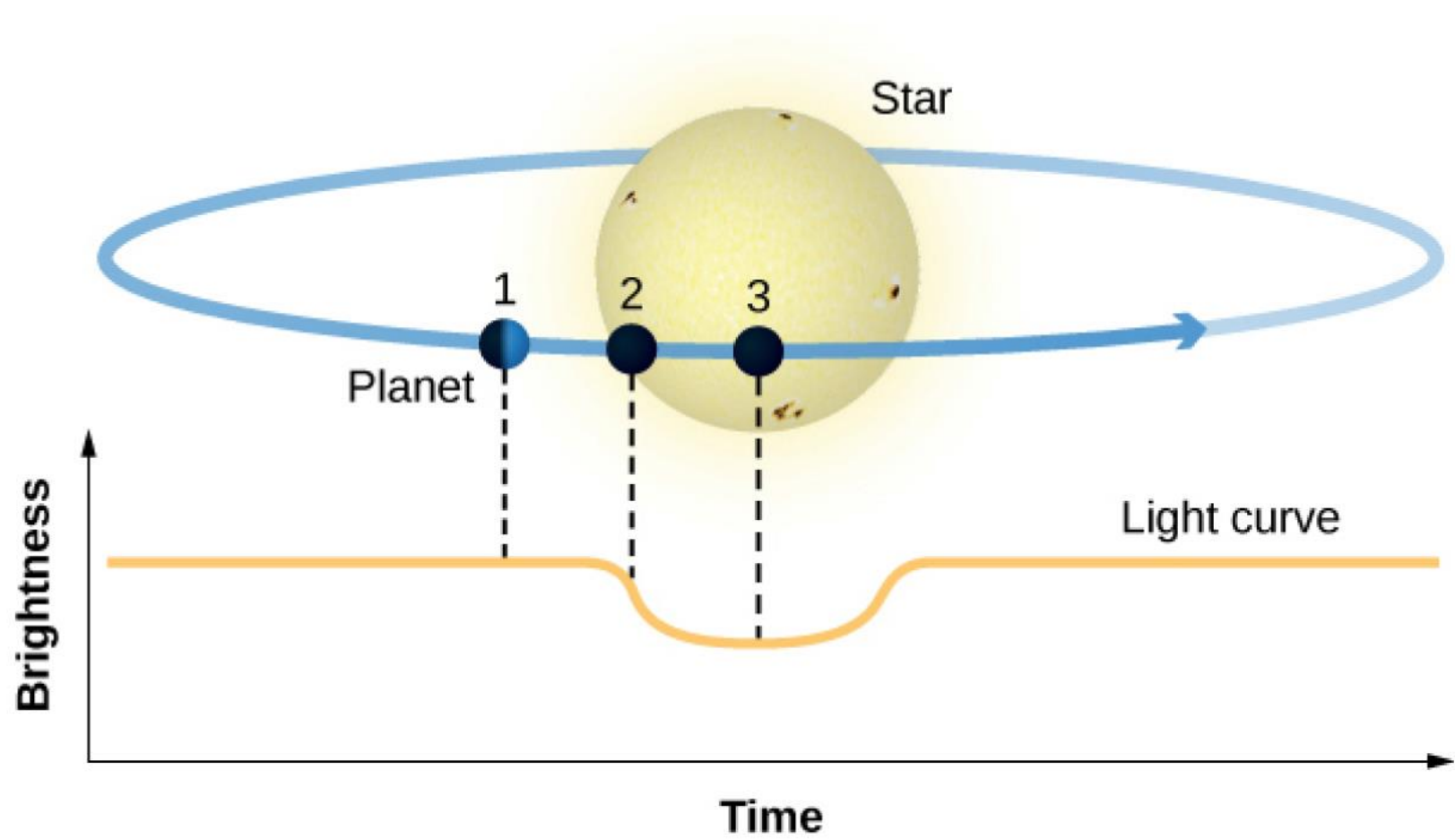


Barnard star planet:
 -3-day period
 -0.37 M_{earth}



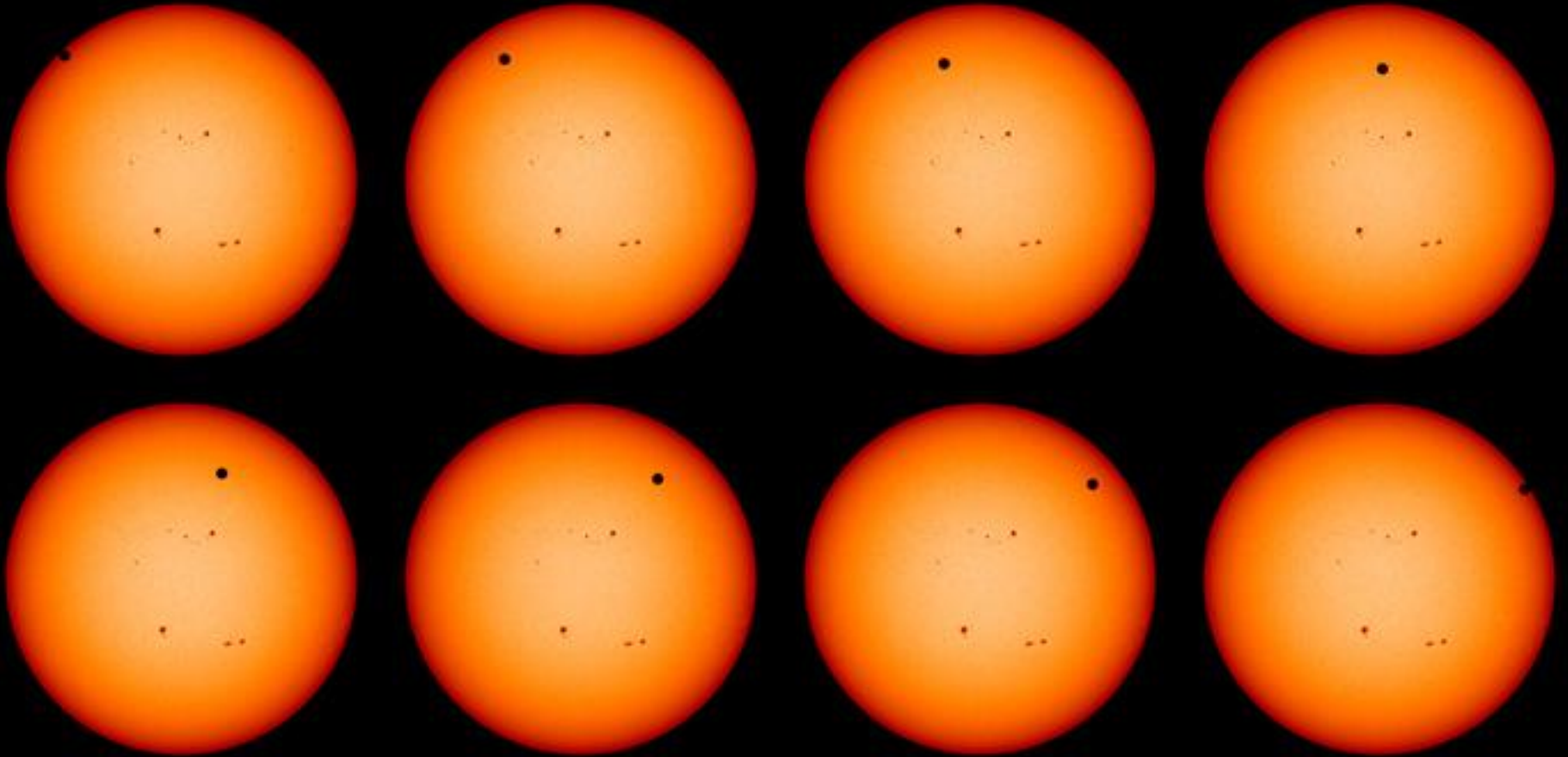
Bias: sensitivity to planet mass/radius

Radial velocity signal+residual



Venus transit

Every 112 years: (two times, separated by 8 years)
last time in 2004/2012

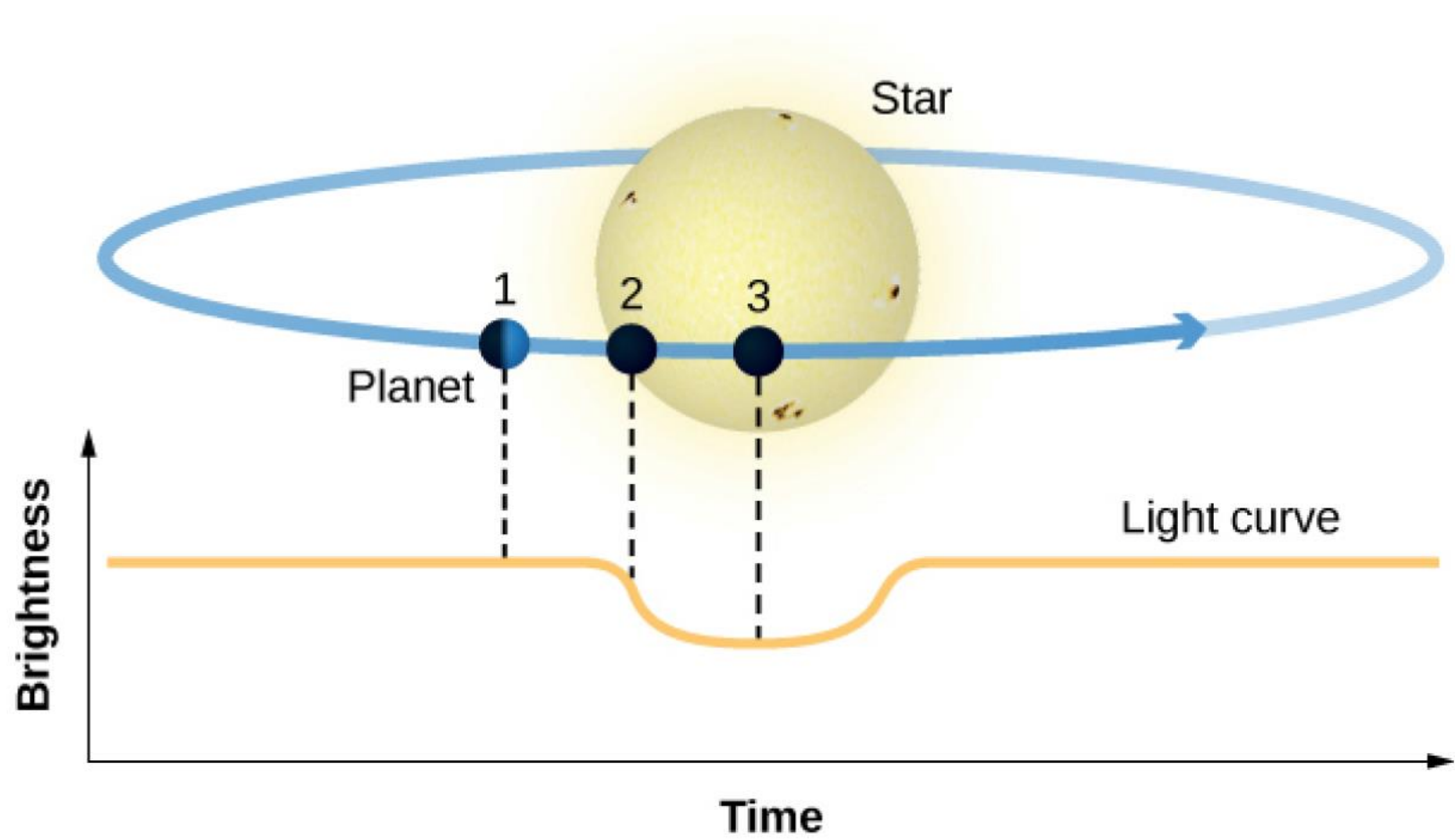


Venus transit

Guillaume Le Gentil: the unluckiest astronomer

1761/1769 transits from India?



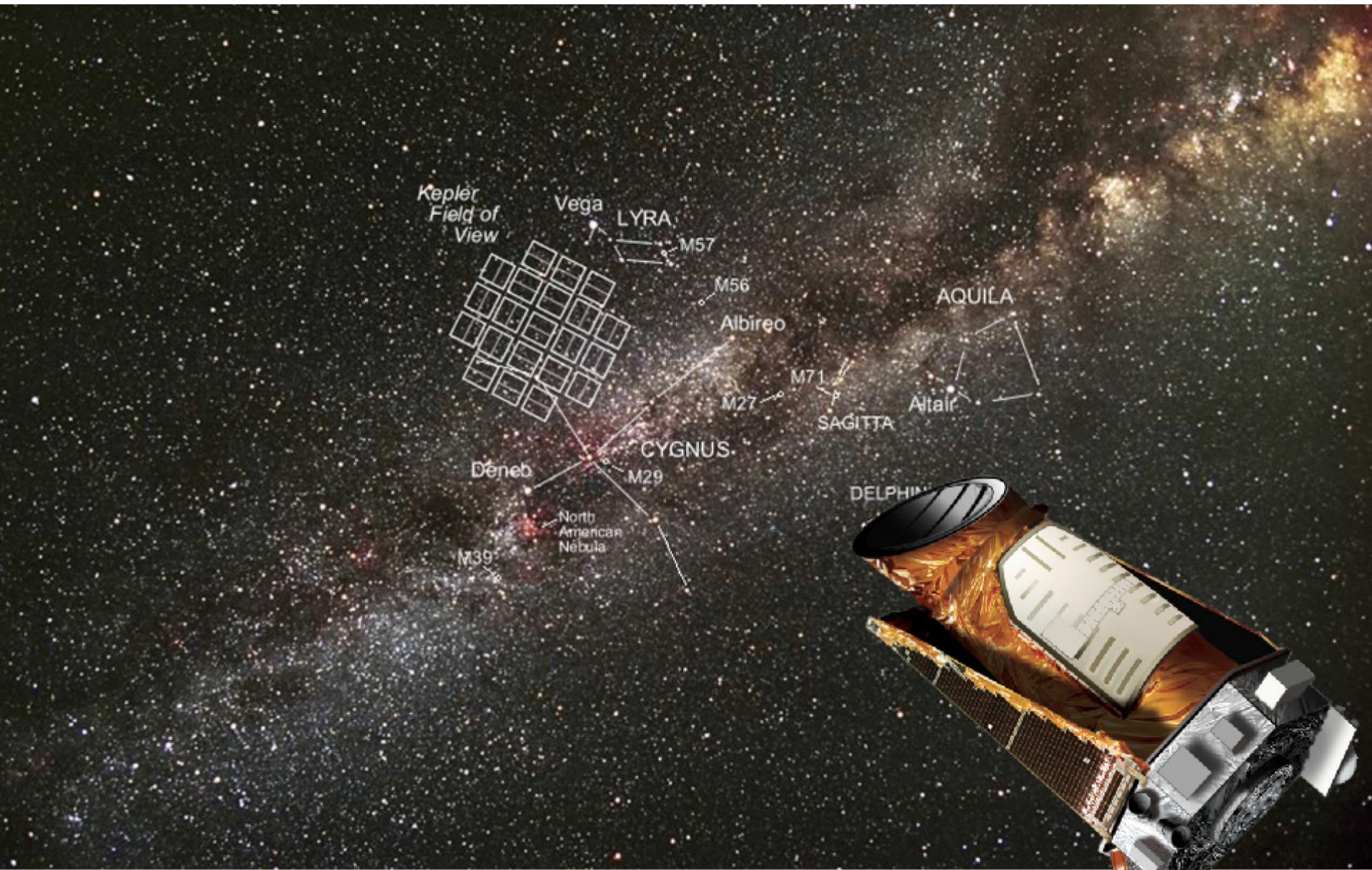




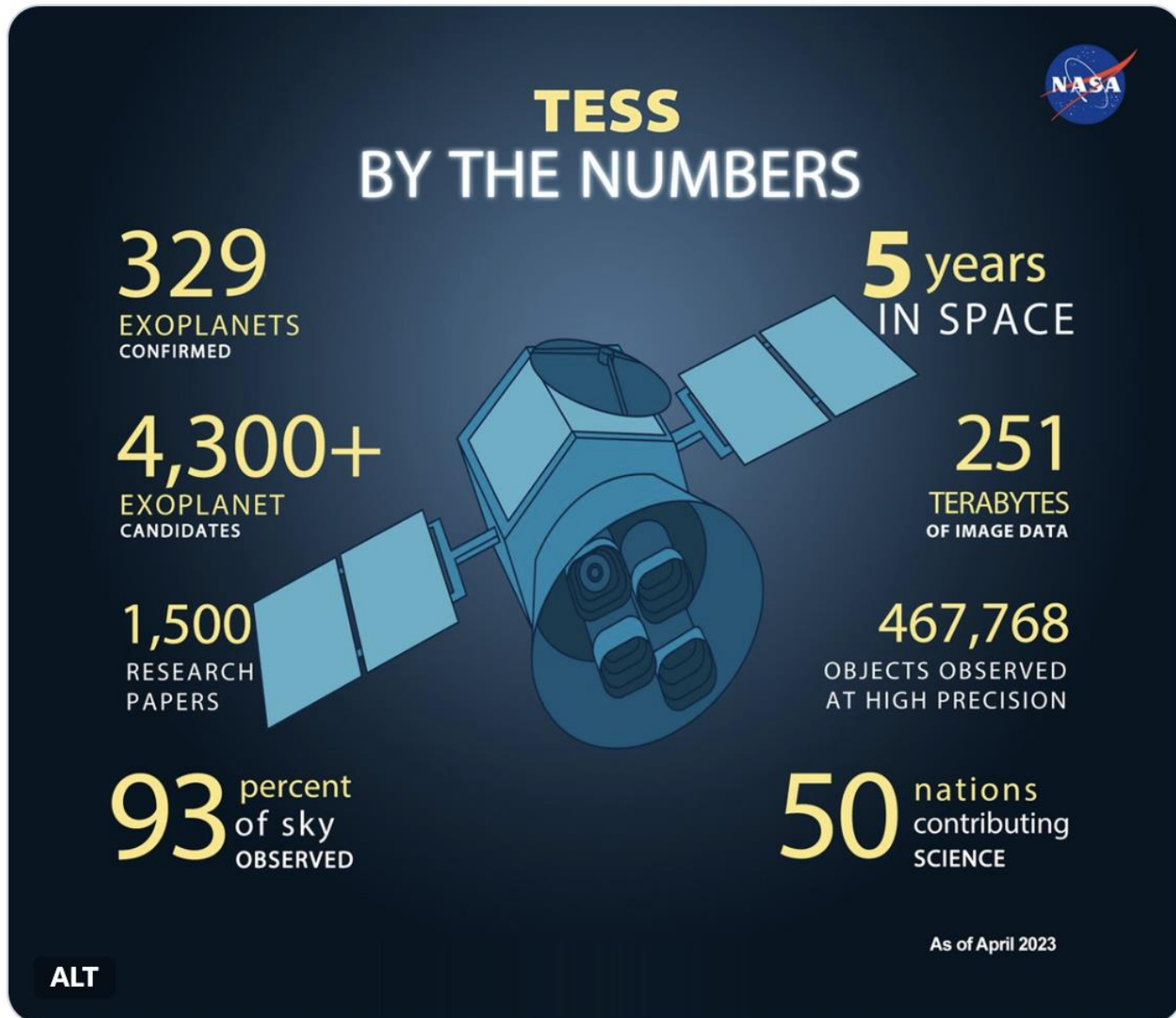
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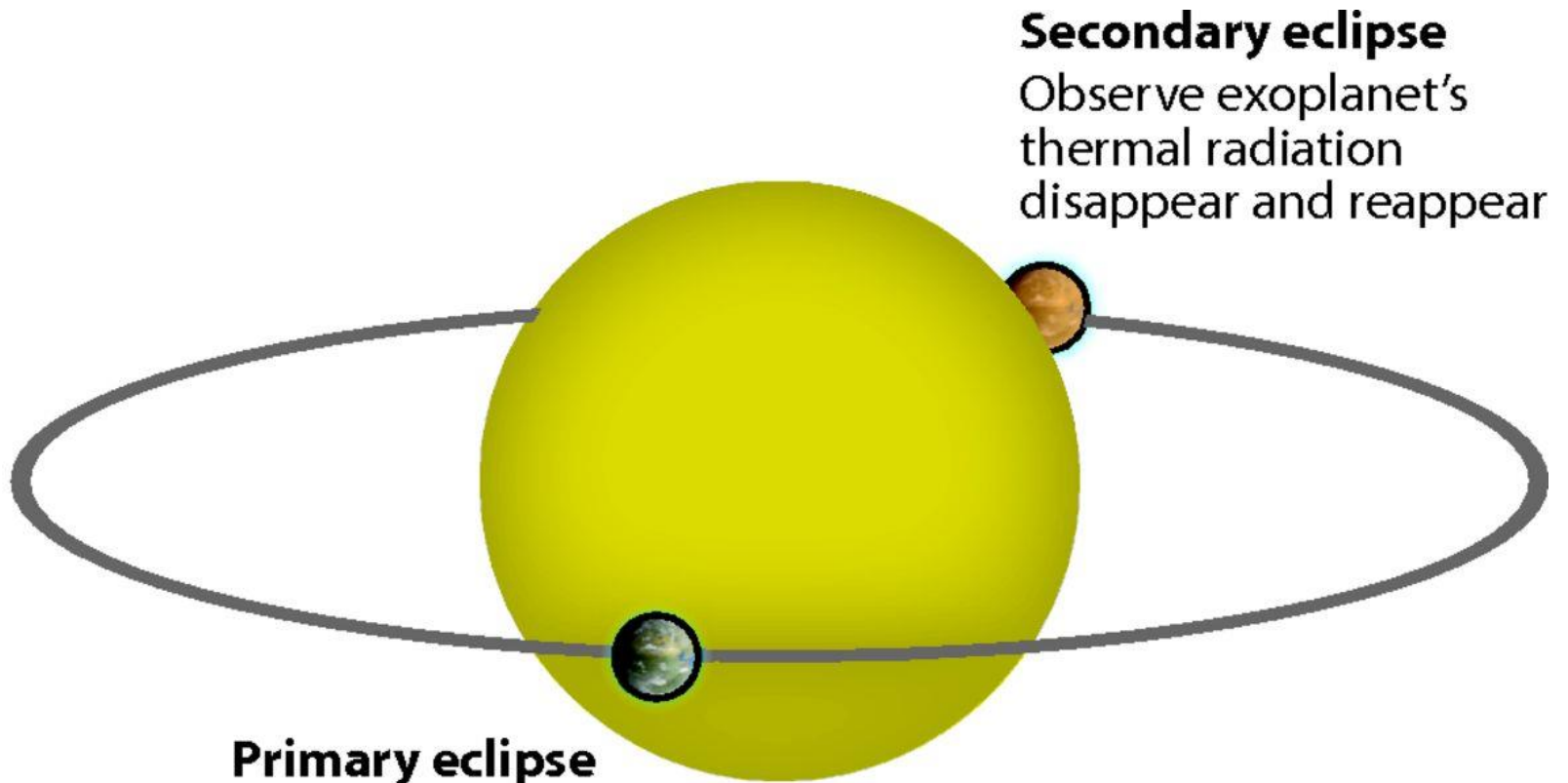
Time

Kepler Observatory: thousands of planets



TESS Observatory: all-sky, bright stars



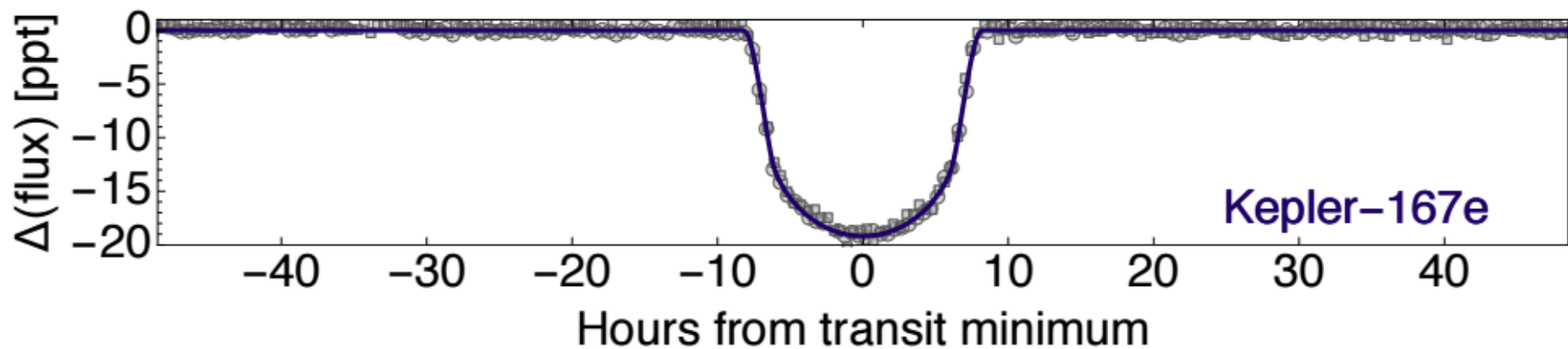
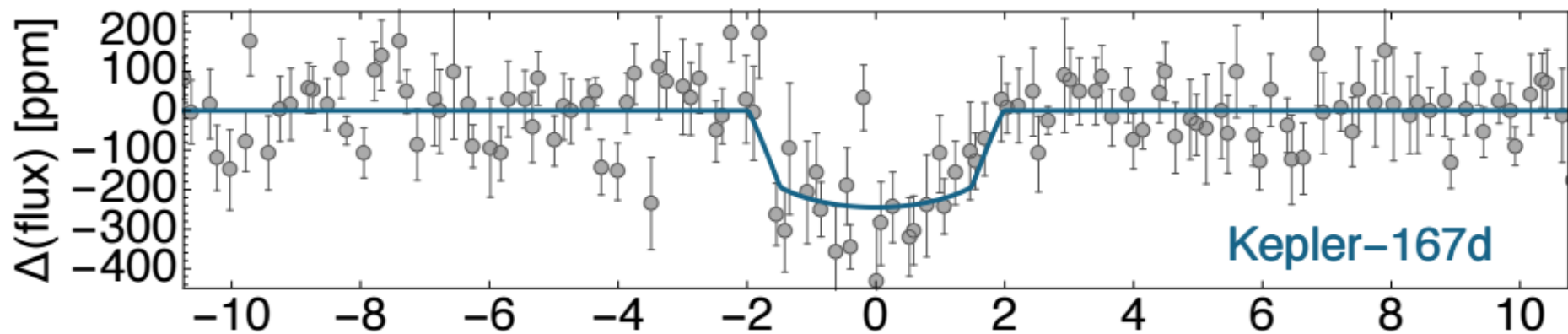


Secondary eclipse

Observe exoplanet's thermal radiation disappear and reappear

Primary eclipse

Exoplanet's size relative to star
See star's radiation transmitted through the planet's atmosphere

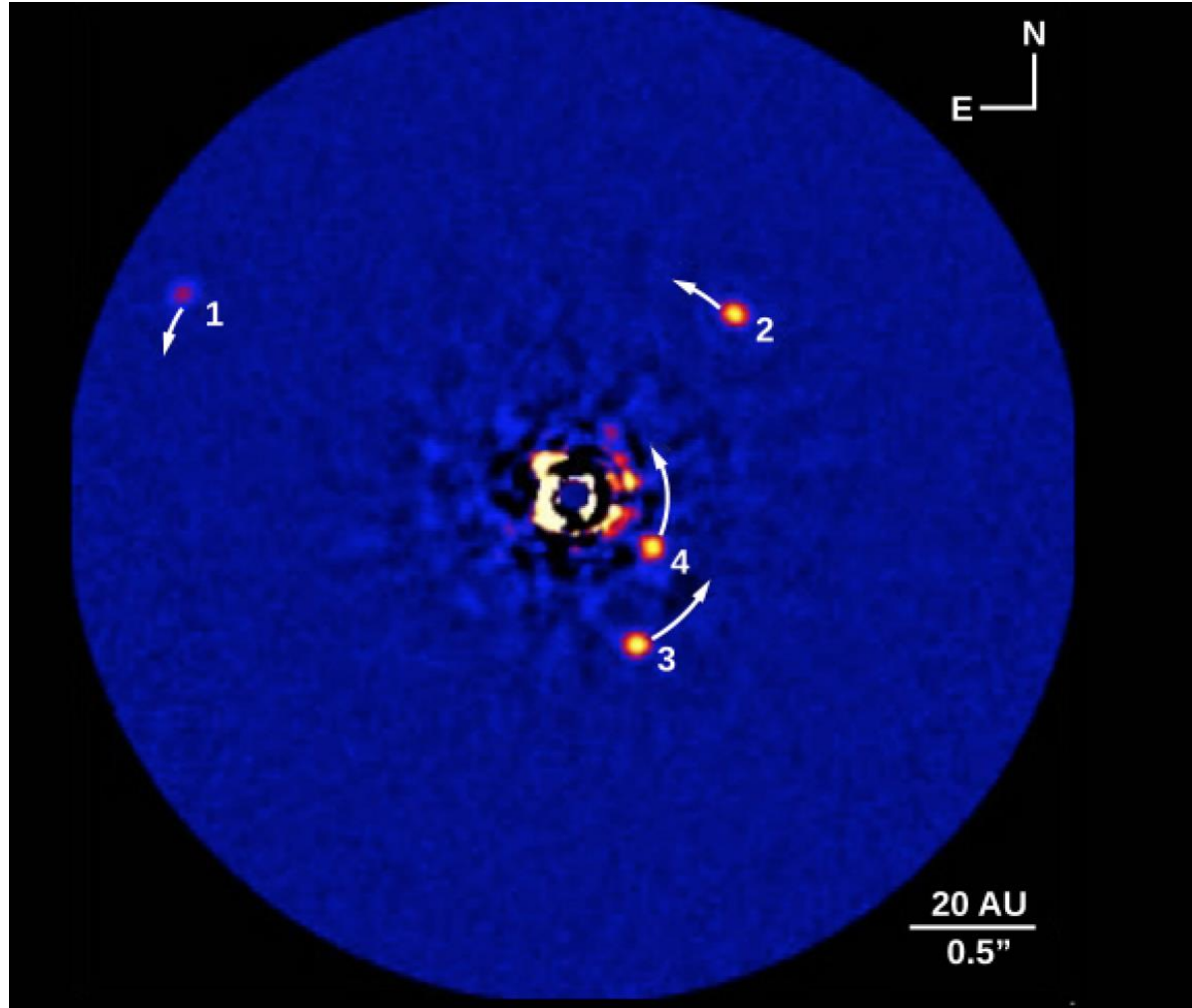


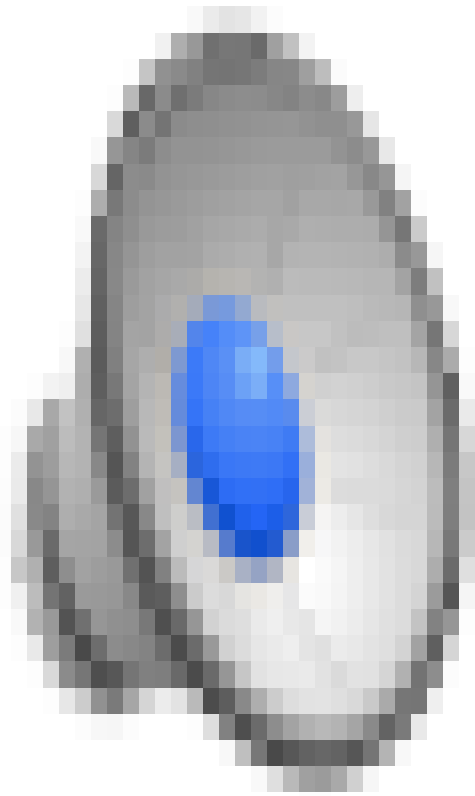
Bias of transits

- What kinds of planets are easiest to detect?
- Close to star
- Large radius

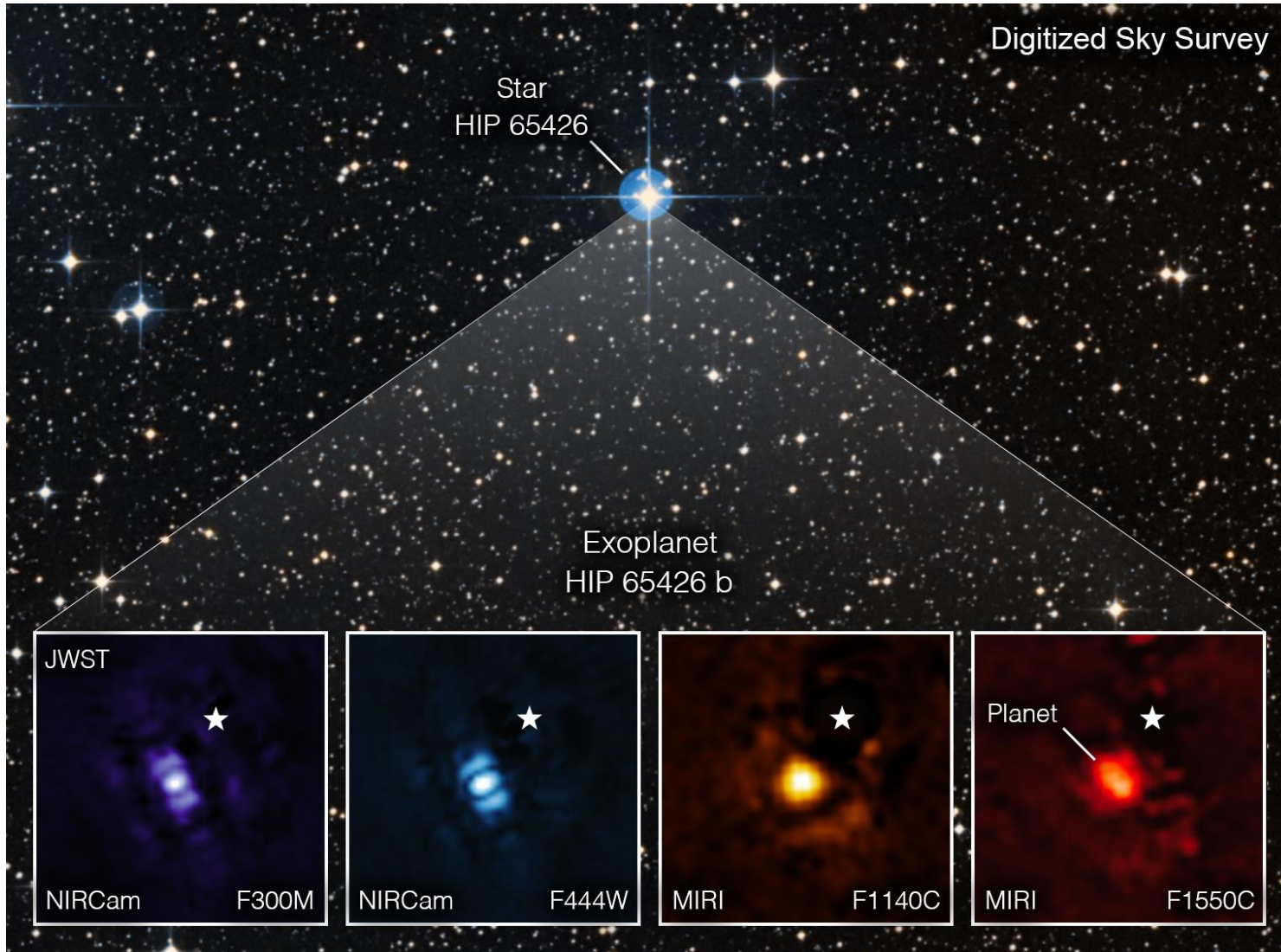
$$R_p = R_{\star} \sqrt{\text{Depth}}$$

Direct Imaging: requires coronagraph to block out the star (similar to eclipse)





First JWST image of a planet



JWST:
Powerful new
infrared
telescope

Bias of direct imaging

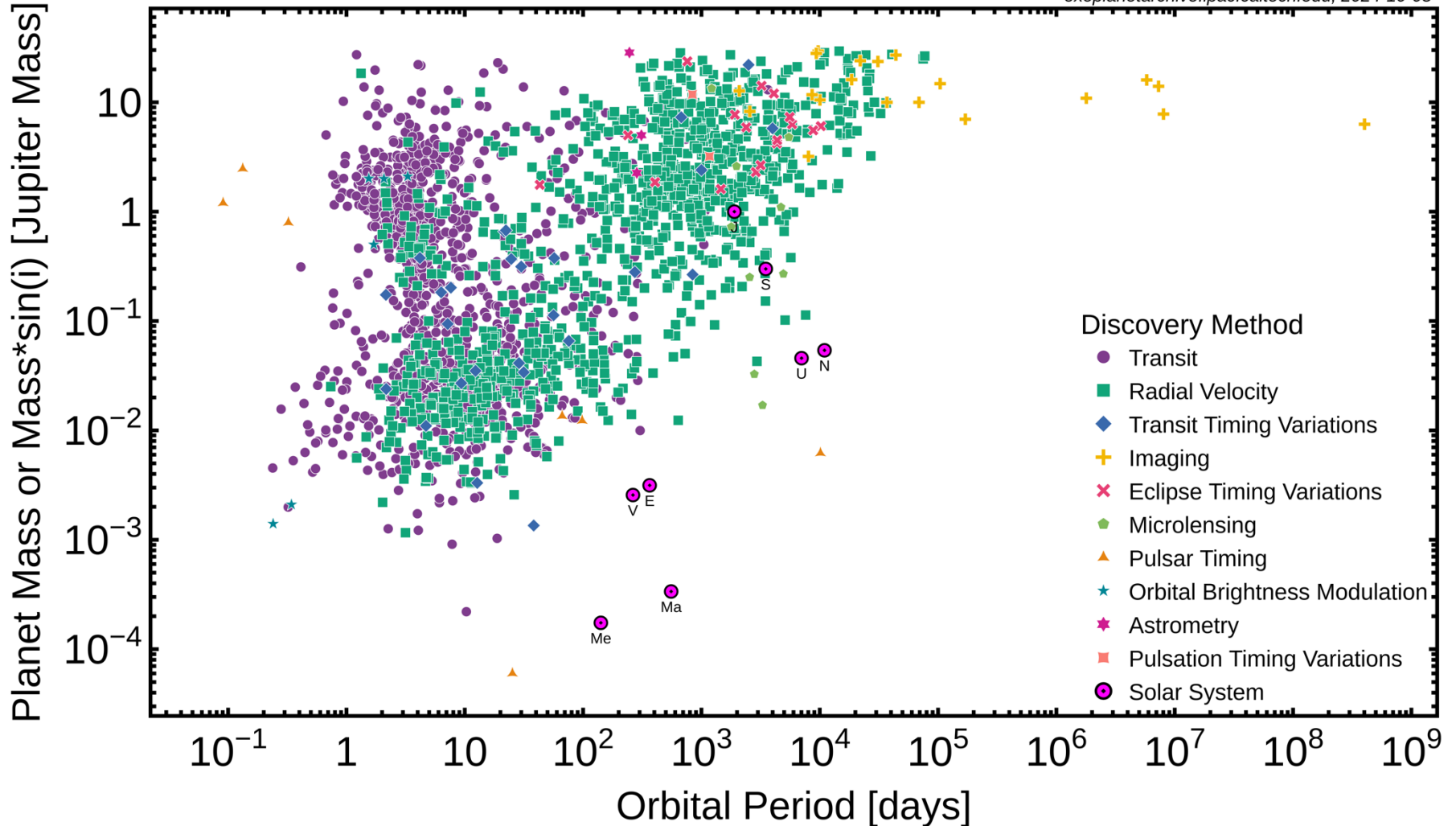
- What kinds of planets are easiest to detect?
- Very bright (higher mass)
- Far from the star!

[also this is very hard]

Exoplanets are common!

Planet Mass or Mass* $\sin(i)$ vs Orbital Period

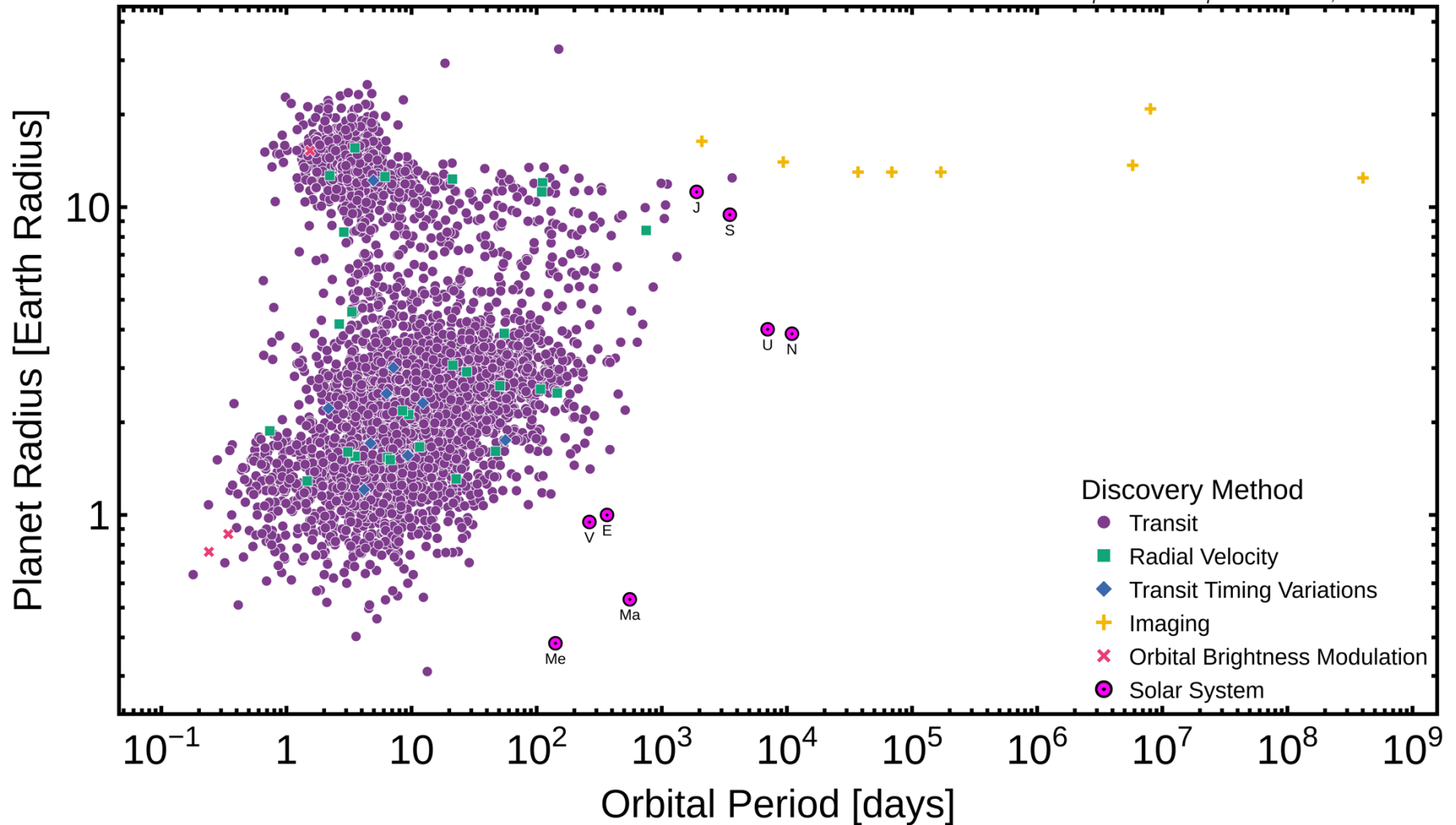
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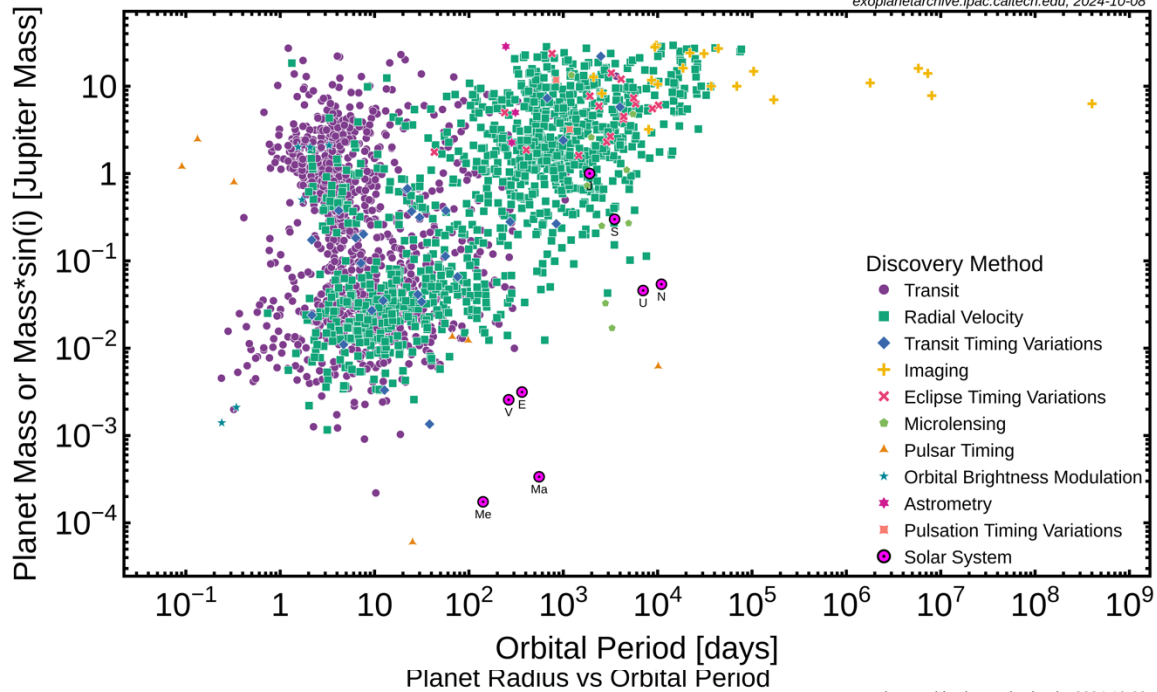
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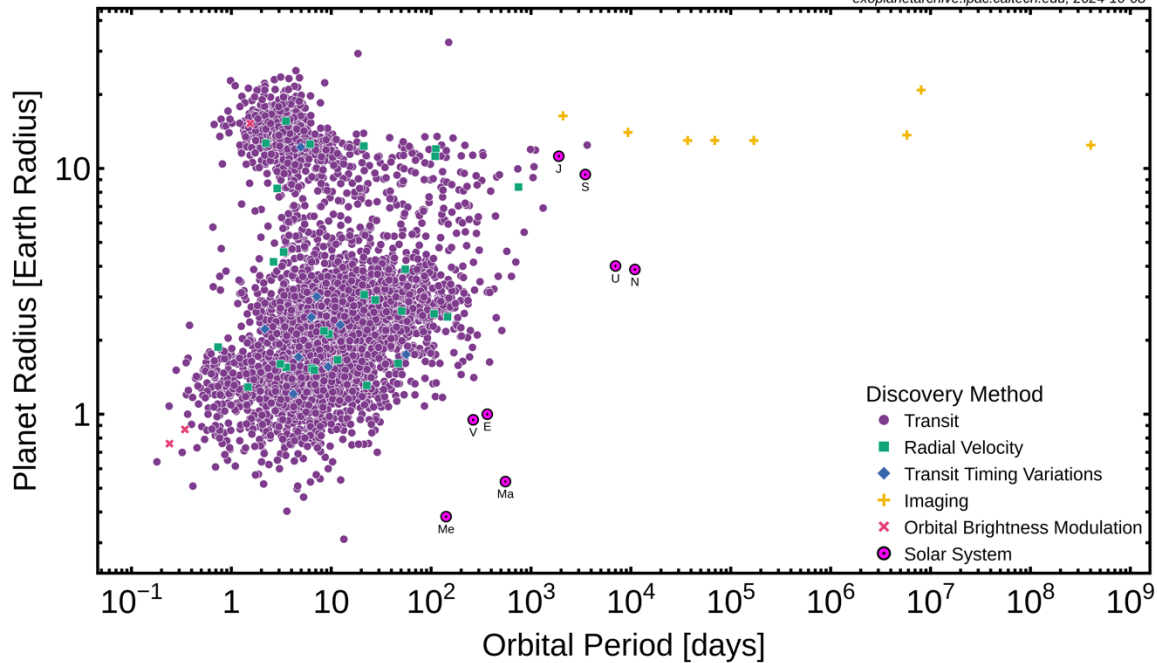
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Differences in methods:

measuring

mass or

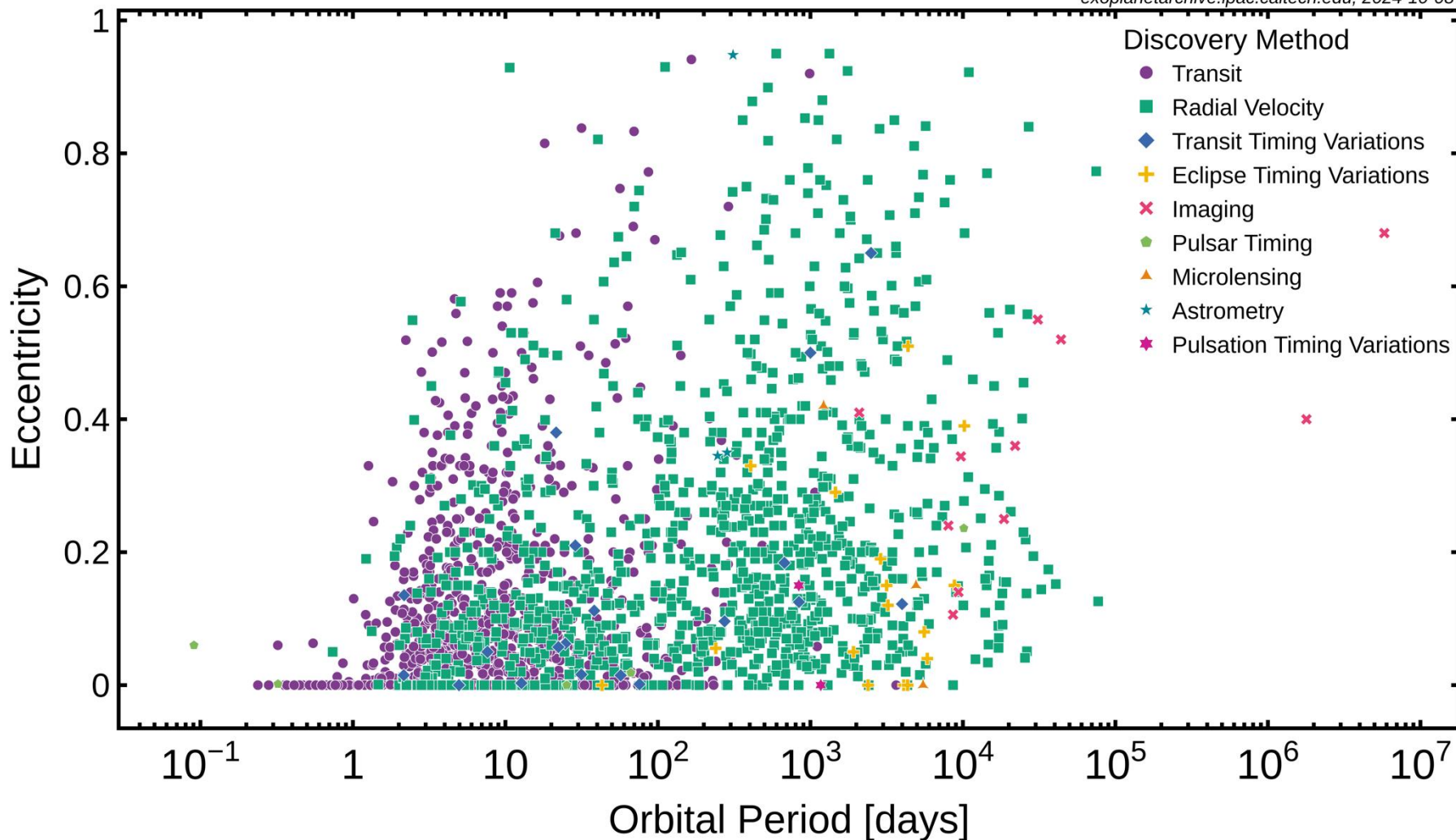
radius?

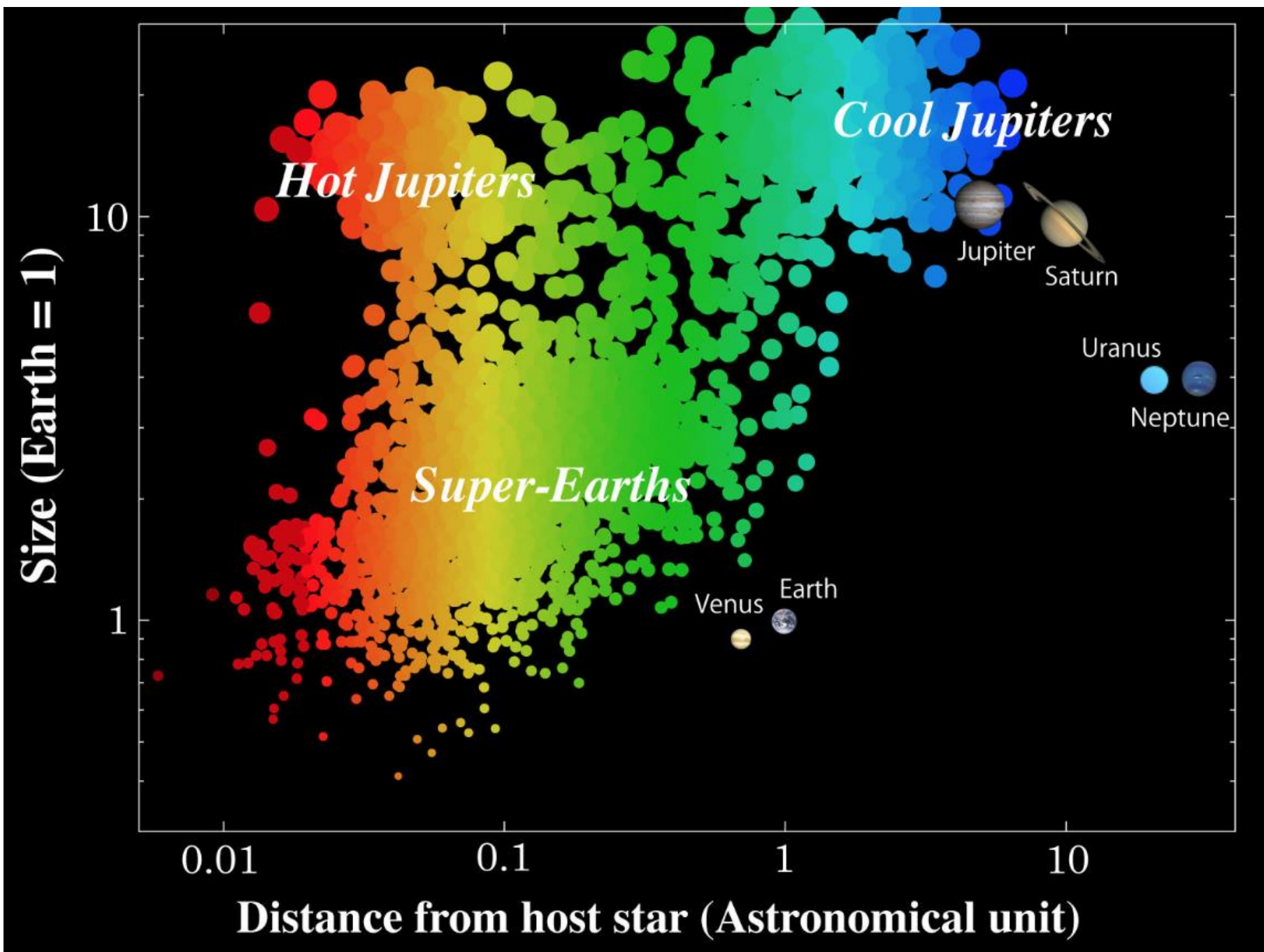
(ideally both)

Most orbits are circular (but some eccentric)

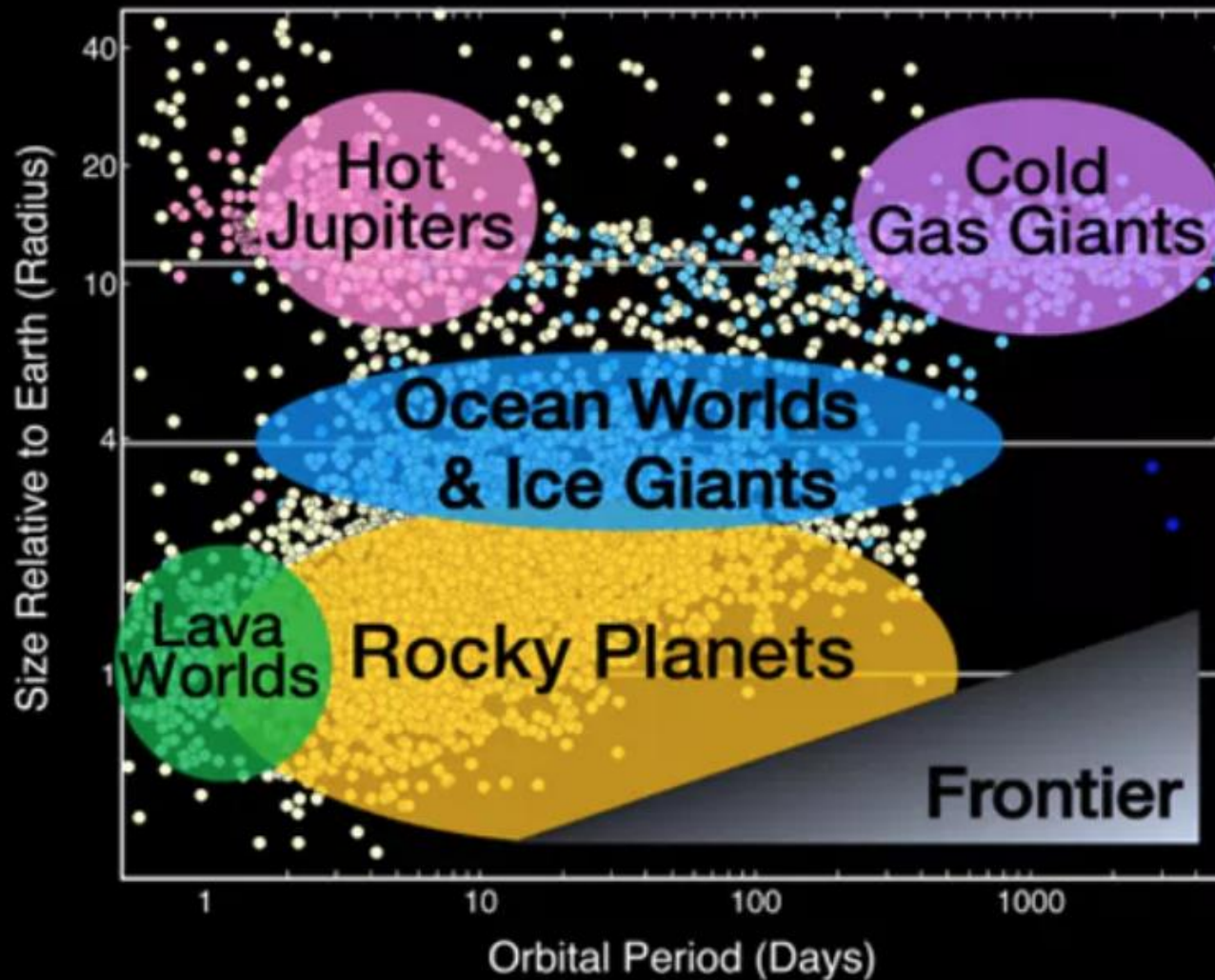
Eccentricity vs Orbital Period

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Exoplanet Populations



Planetary Systems by Number of Known Planets



Planetary Systems

As of December 14, 2017

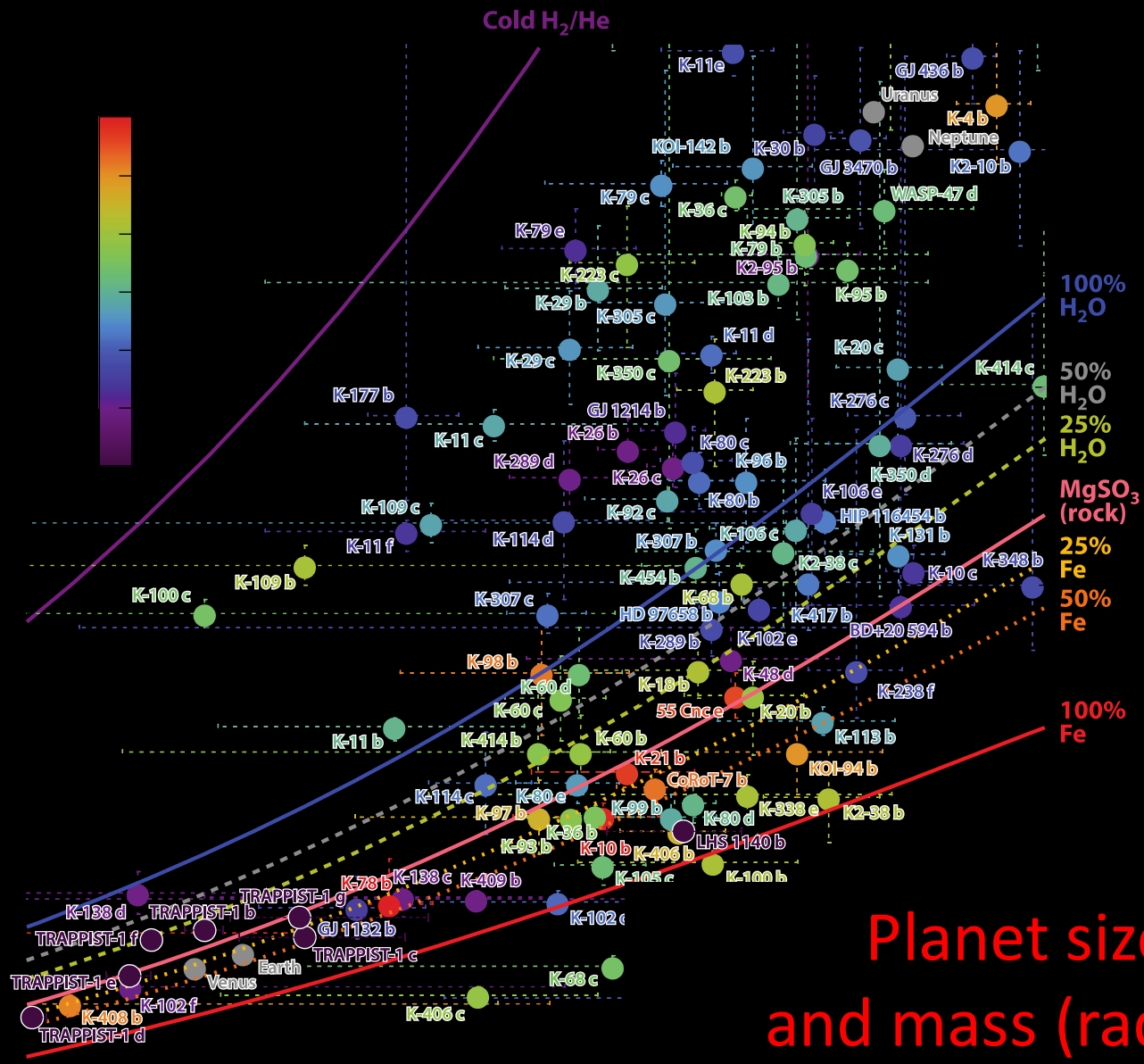
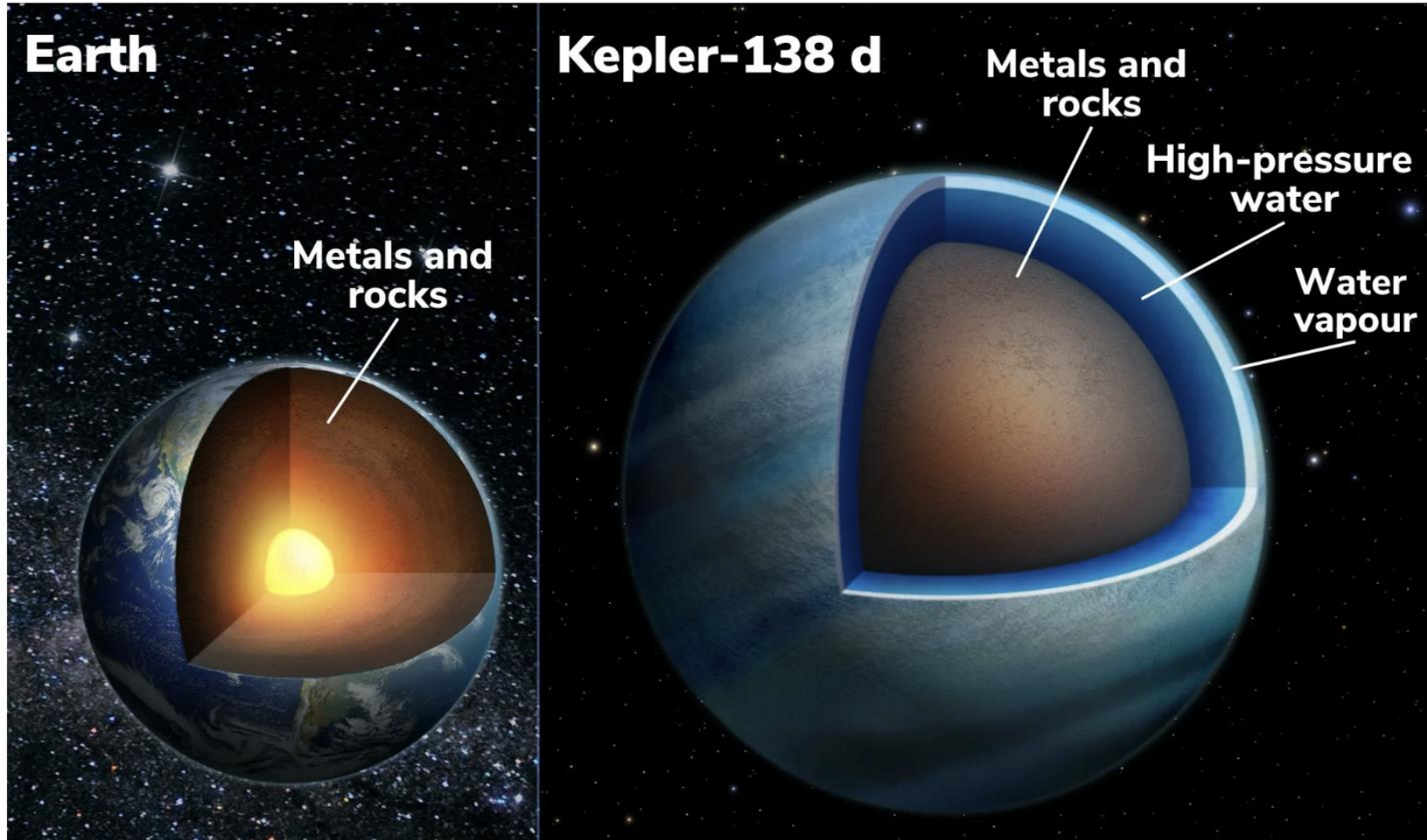


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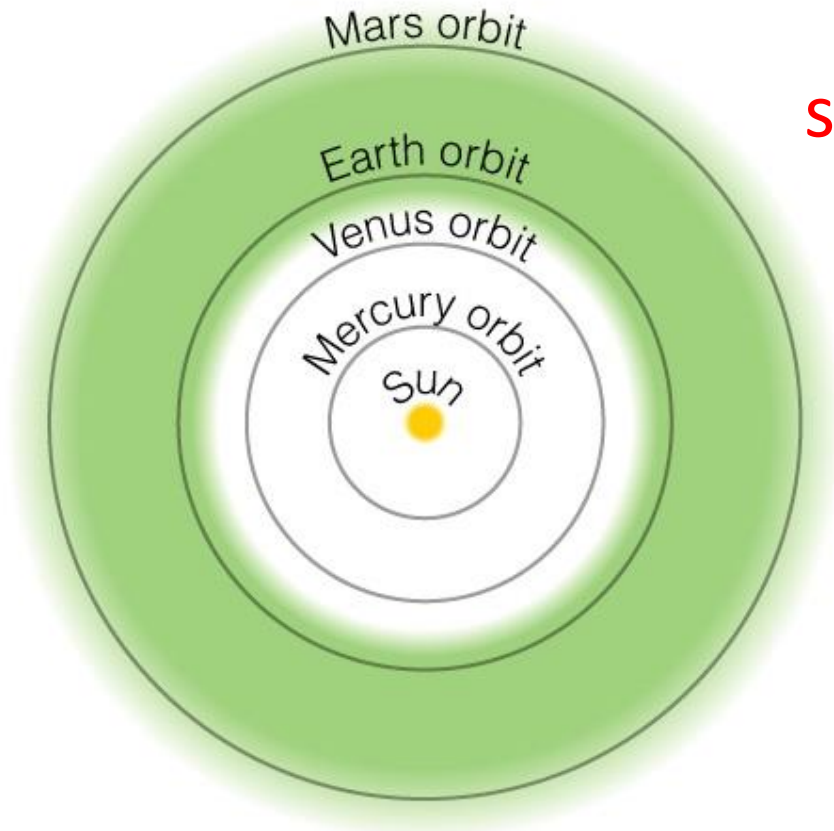
Water worlds?

Perhaps common for “super-earths”



Are habitable planets likely?

Planet temperature:
stellar irradiation, atmosphere



Solar System



**Star with
mass $\frac{1}{2} M_{\text{Sun}}$**



**Star with
mass $\frac{1}{10} M_{\text{Sun}}$**

Habitable: liquid water

HABITABLE ZONE

Too Hot

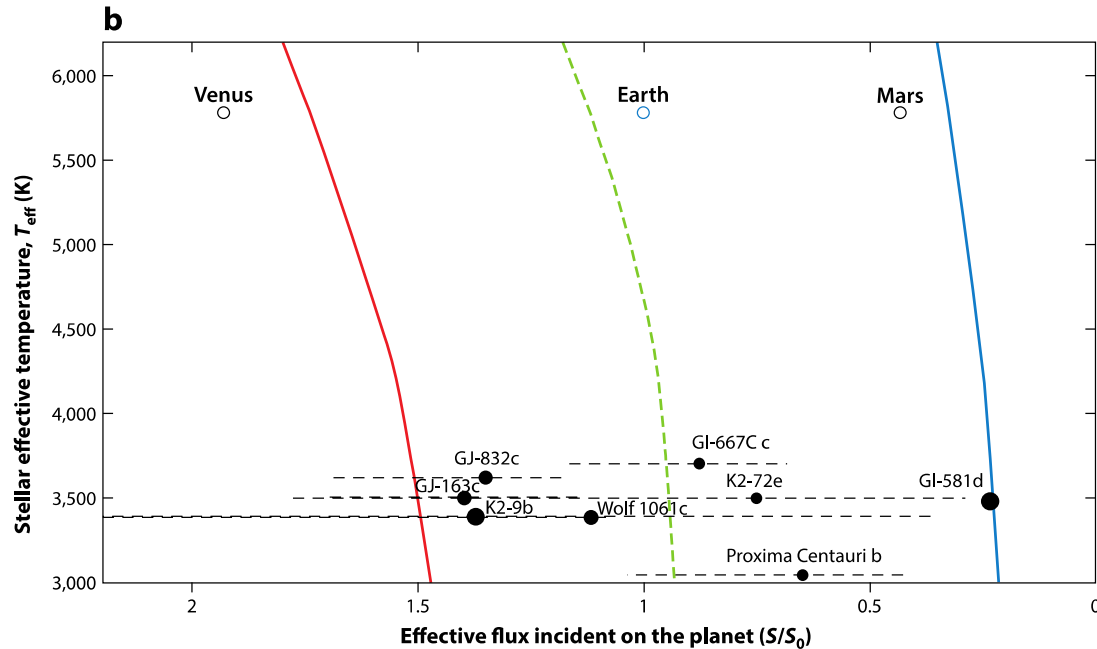
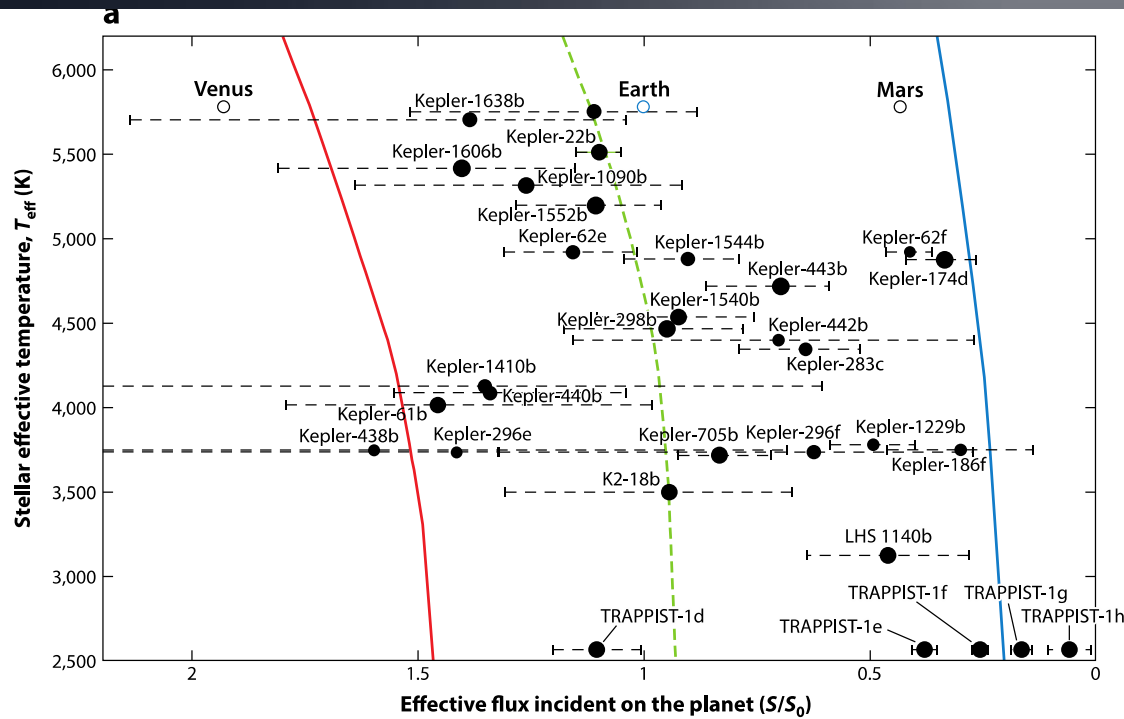
Just Right

Too Cold

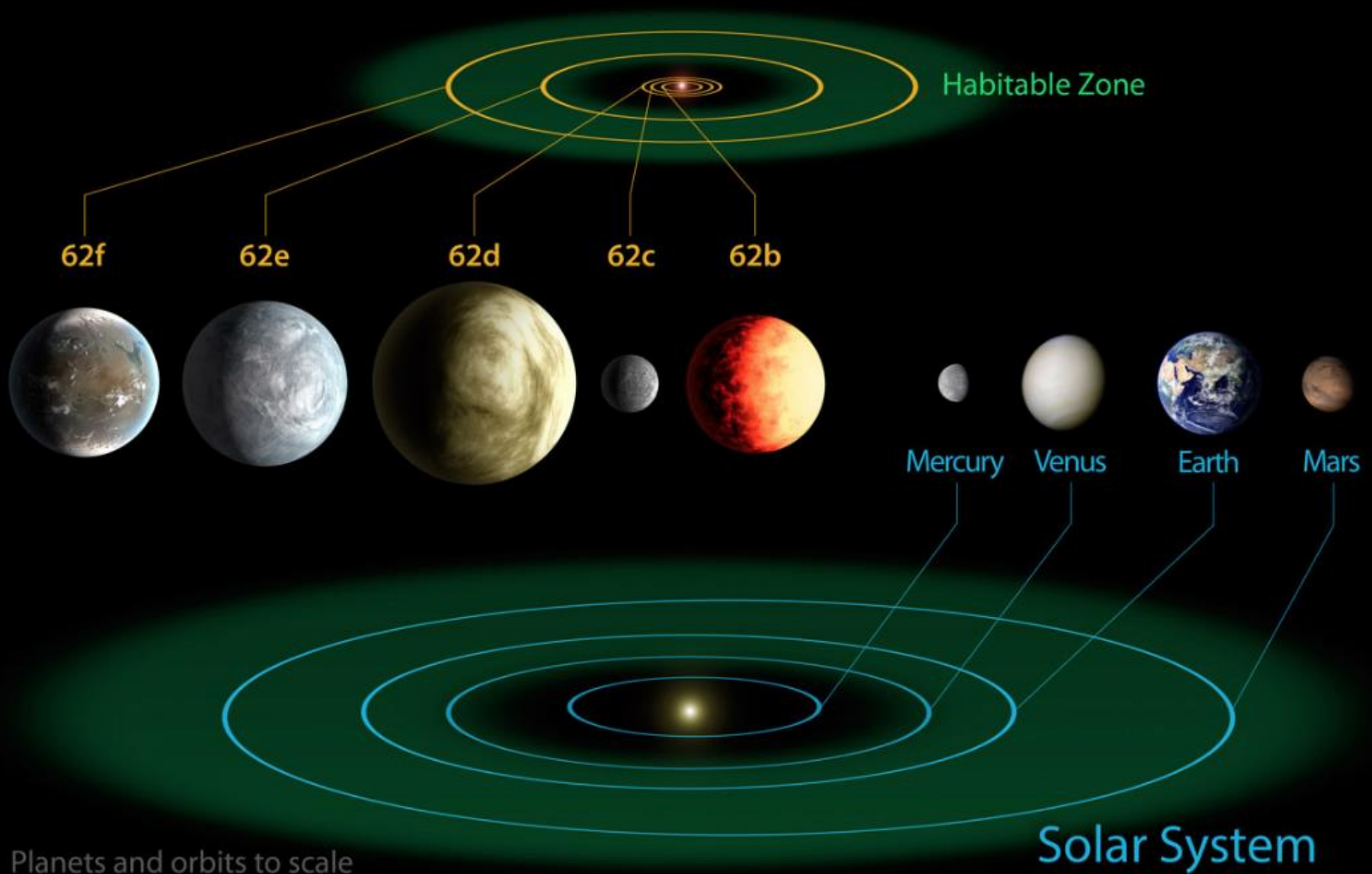
Planet size: 1-2x Earth



Exoplanets in habitable zone

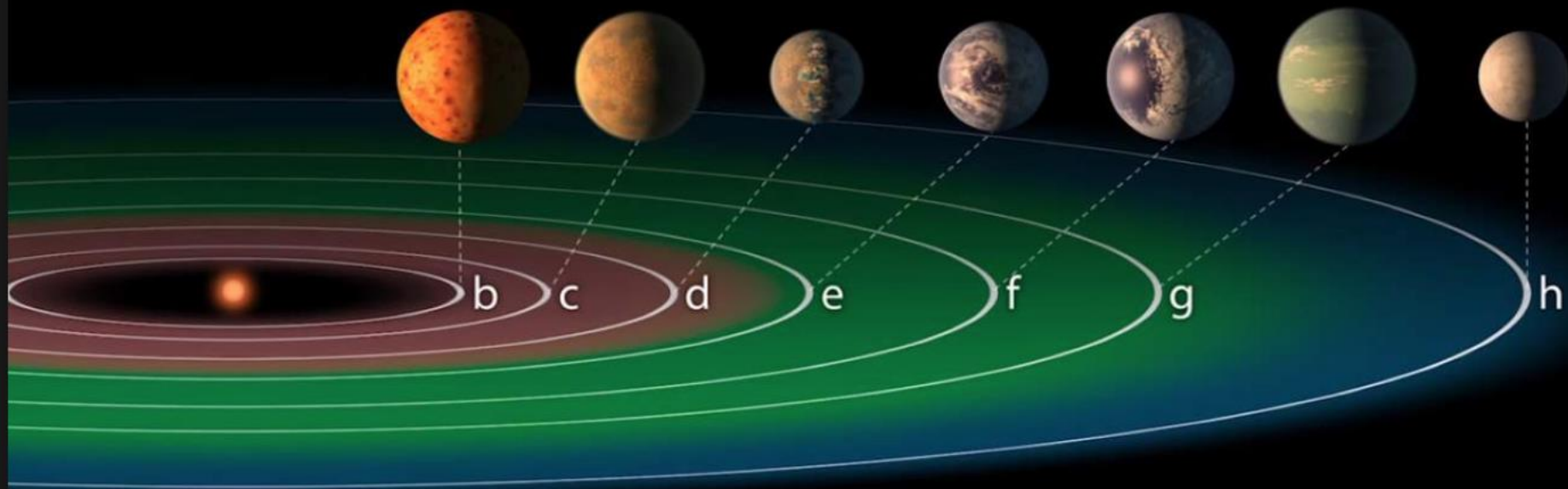


Kepler-62 System



TRAPPIST-1 System

Illustrations




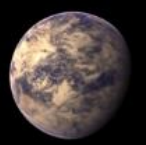
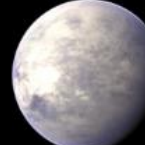

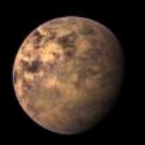
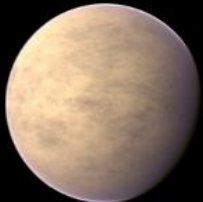
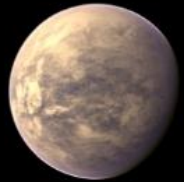
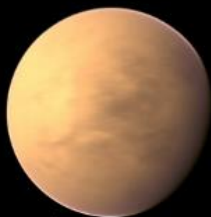
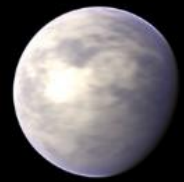
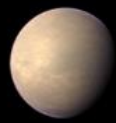


Relative scale
of Earth

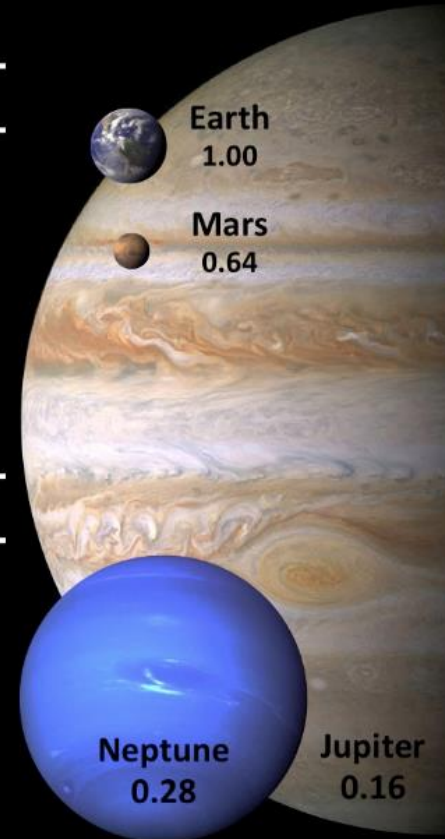


Star and orbits shown in scale
Planets enlarged approximately 7,600x

Current Potentially Habitable Exoplanets

Ranked in Order of Similarity to Earth

#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
					
Gliese 667C c 0.83	Kepler-62 e 0.83	Tau Ceti e* 0.77	Gliese 581 g* 0.76	Gliese 667C f 0.76	HD 40307 g 0.73
#7	#8	#9	#10	#11	#12
					
Kepler-61 b 0.73	Gliese 163 c 0.73	Kepler-22 b 0.71	Kepler-62 f 0.67	Gliese 667C e 0.60	Gliese 581 d 0.53

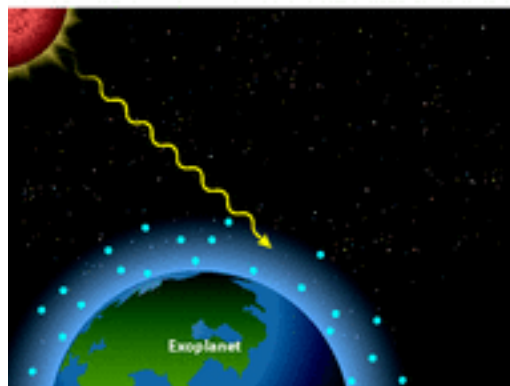
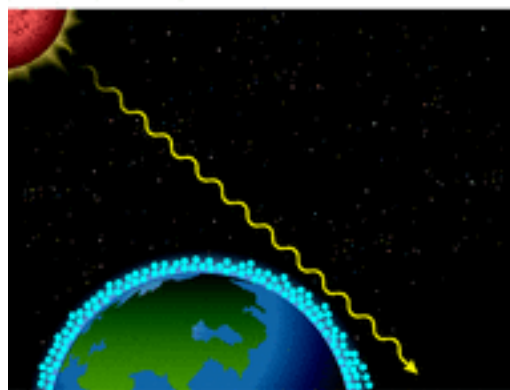
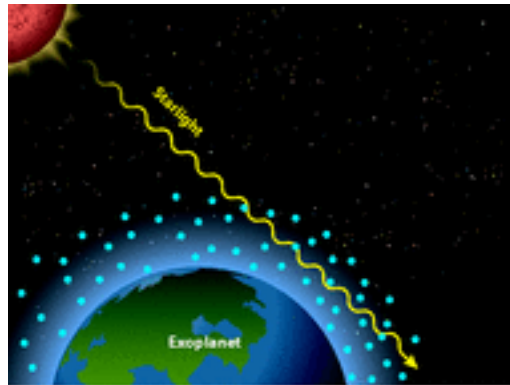


*planet candidates

Number below the names is the Earth Similarity Index (ESI)

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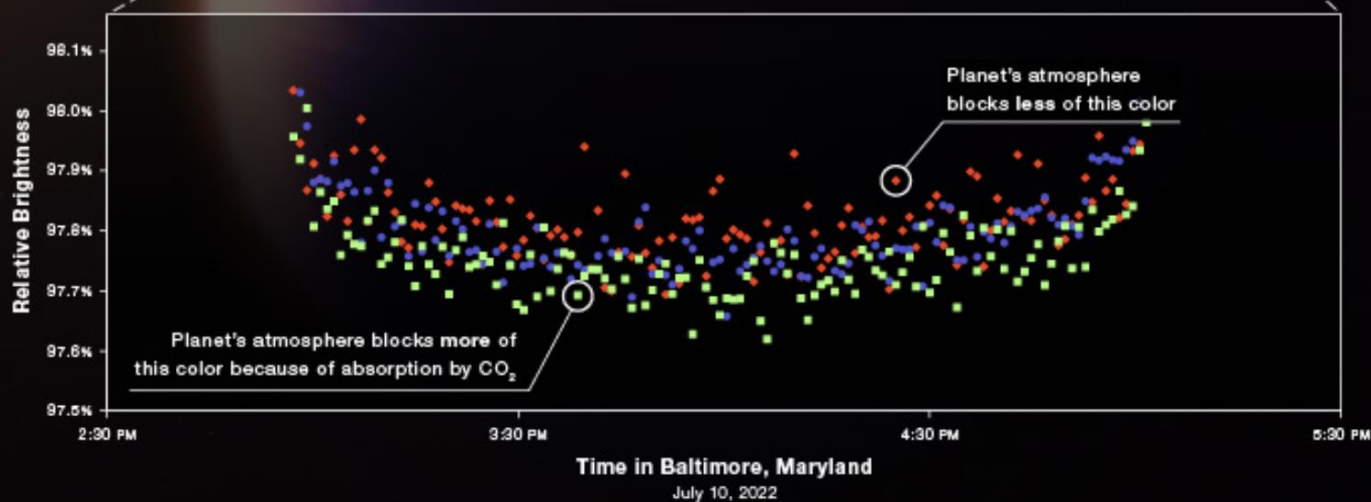
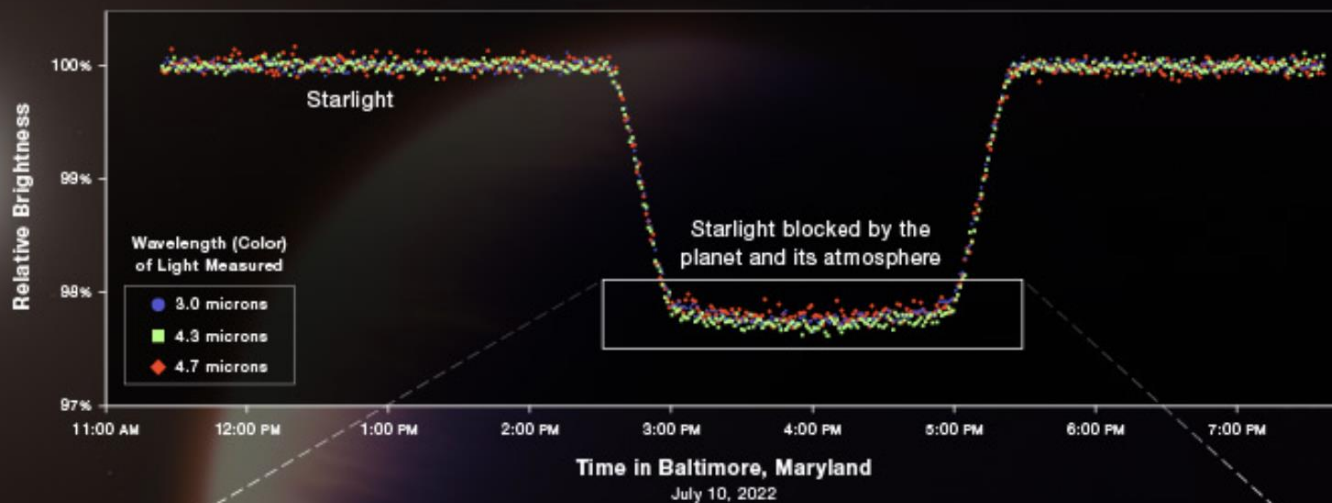
Exoplanet atmospheres!



E°	Oxidizing half-reaction	Reducing half-reaction
-0.535	$\text{CO} \rightarrow \text{CO}_2$	$\text{CO}_2 \rightarrow \text{CO}$
-0.482	$\text{CH}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{CO}_2$	$\text{CO}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_2\text{O}$
-0.431	$\text{H}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{H}^+$	$2\text{H}^+ \rightarrow \text{H}_2$
-0.375	$2\text{NH}_3 \rightarrow \text{N}_2$	$\text{N}_2 \rightarrow \text{NH}_3$
-0.280	$\text{H}_2\text{S} \rightarrow \text{S}$	$\text{S} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{S}$
-0.263	$\text{CH}_4 \rightarrow \text{CO}_2$	$\text{CO}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_4$
-0.234	$\text{HS}^- \rightarrow \text{SO}_4^{2-}$	$\text{SO}_4^{2-} \rightarrow \text{HS}^-$
-0.213	$\text{CH}_4 \rightarrow \text{CH}_2\text{O}$	$\text{CH}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{CH}_4$
0.285	$\text{NH}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO}_2^-$	$\text{NO}_2^- \rightarrow \text{NH}_3$
0.3725	$\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{organic}) \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{3+}$	$\text{Fe}^{3+} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{organic})$
0.433	$\text{NO}_2^- \rightarrow \text{NO}_3^-$	$\text{NO}_3^- \rightarrow \text{NO}_2^-$
0.717	$\text{NH}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO}_3^-$	$\text{NO}_3^- \rightarrow \text{NH}_3$
0.748	$\text{N}_2 \rightarrow \text{NO}_3^-$	$\text{NO}_3^- \rightarrow \text{N}_2$
0.771	$\text{Fe}^{2+} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{3+}$	$\text{Fe}^{3+} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{2+}$
0.775	$\text{N}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{NO}_2^-$	$\text{NO}_2^- \rightarrow \text{N}_2\text{O}$
0.815	$\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{O}_2$	$\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O}$

HOT GAS GIANT EXOPLANET WASP-39 b TRANSIT LIGHT CURVE

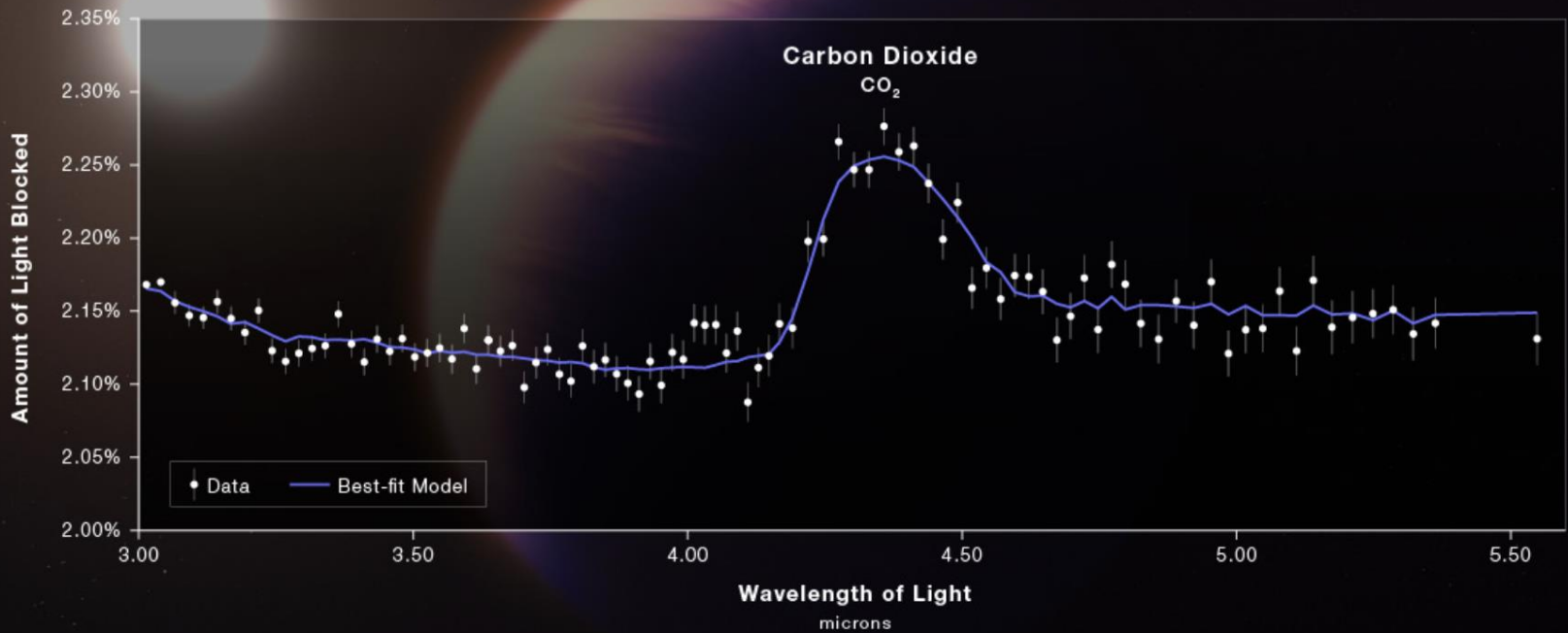
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ATMOSPHERE COMPOSITION

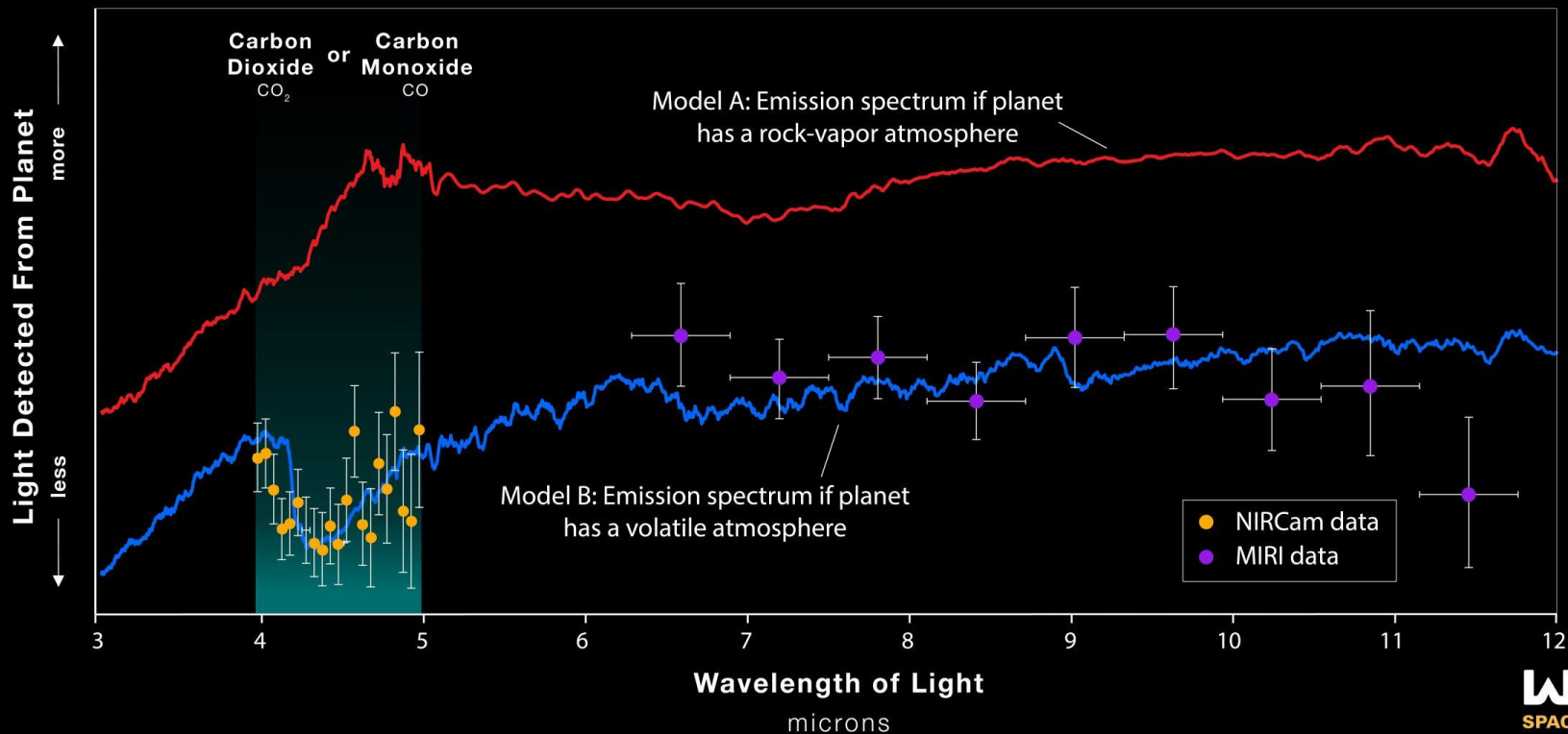
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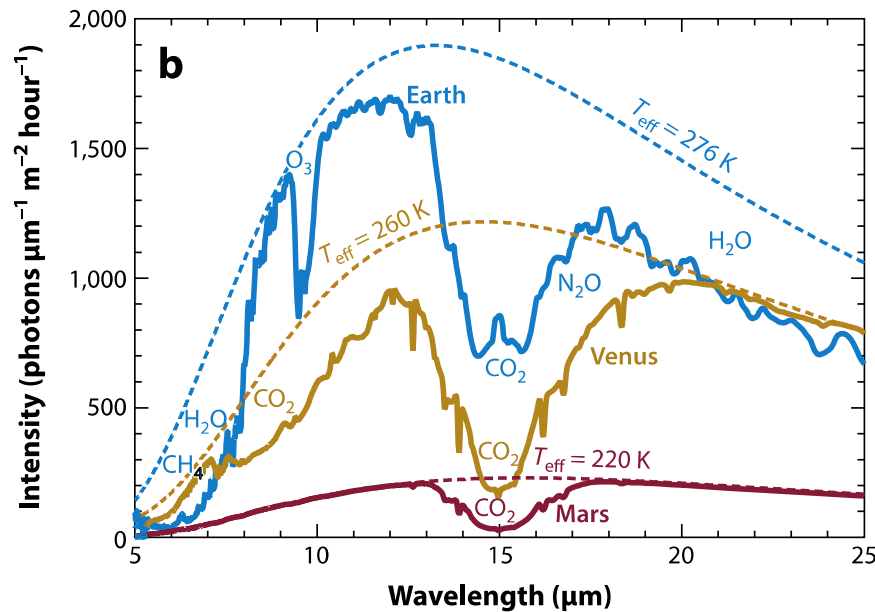
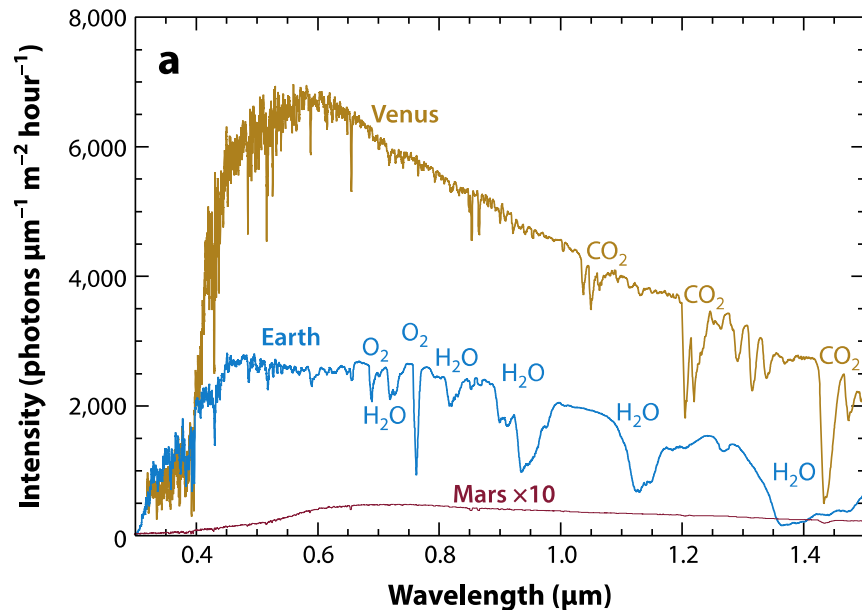
First atmosphere around a terrestrial exoplanet

SUPER-EARTH EXOPLANET 55 CANCRI e VOLATILE ATMOSPHERE

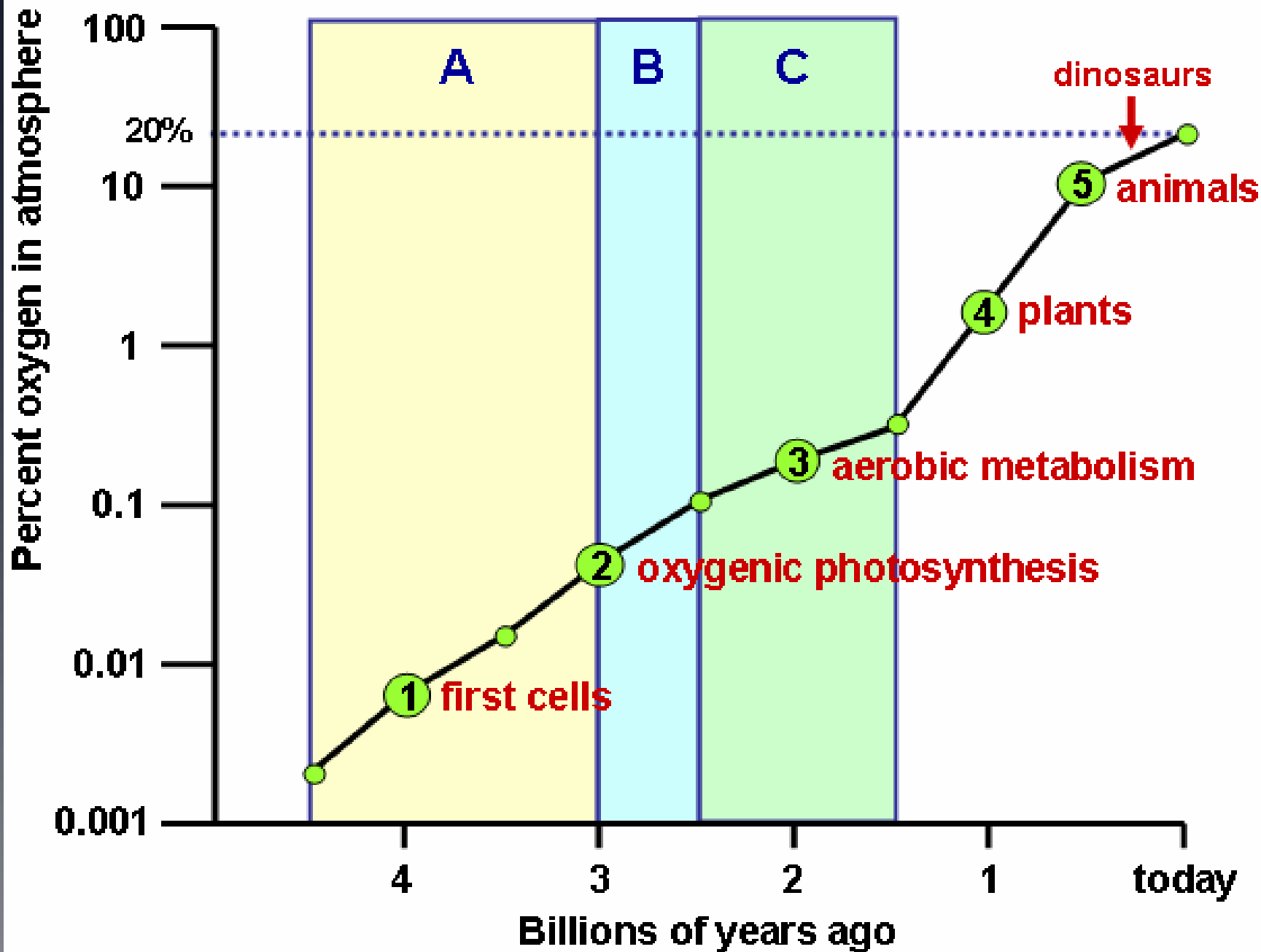
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Life changes its environment

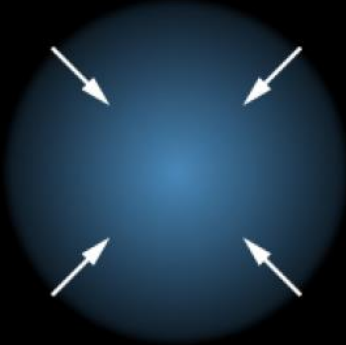


- Life needs a suitable environment to flourish.
- Feedback on environment and atmosphere
- Changes: biosignature, a sign of the presence of life
- Oxygen: a biosignature of life. Looking from afar, we cannot see plants and bacteria directly, but we can infer the presence of photosynthetic life if there is atmospheric oxygen.



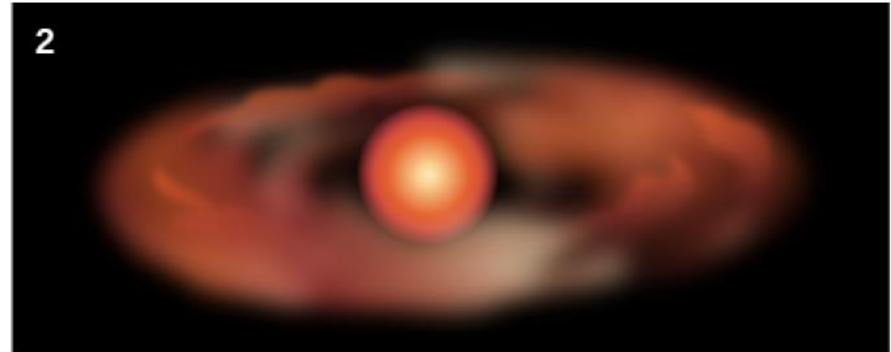
Planet Formation

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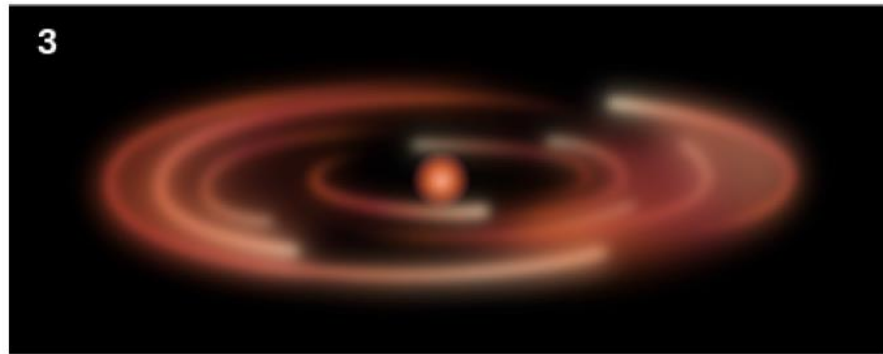
The solar nebula contracts.

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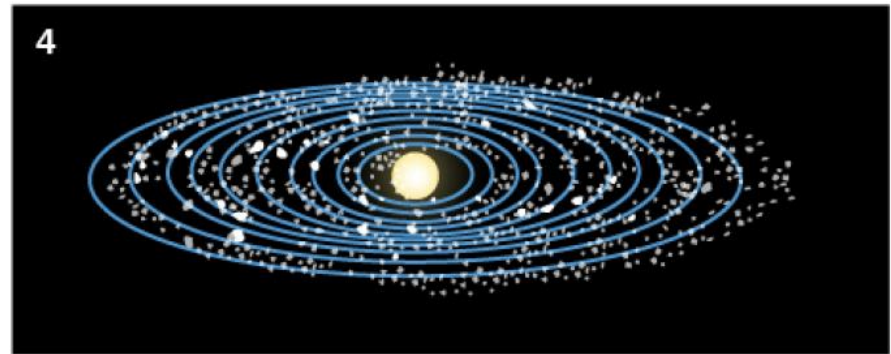
As the nebula shrinks, its motion causes it to flatten.

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The nebula is a disk of matter with a concentration near the center.

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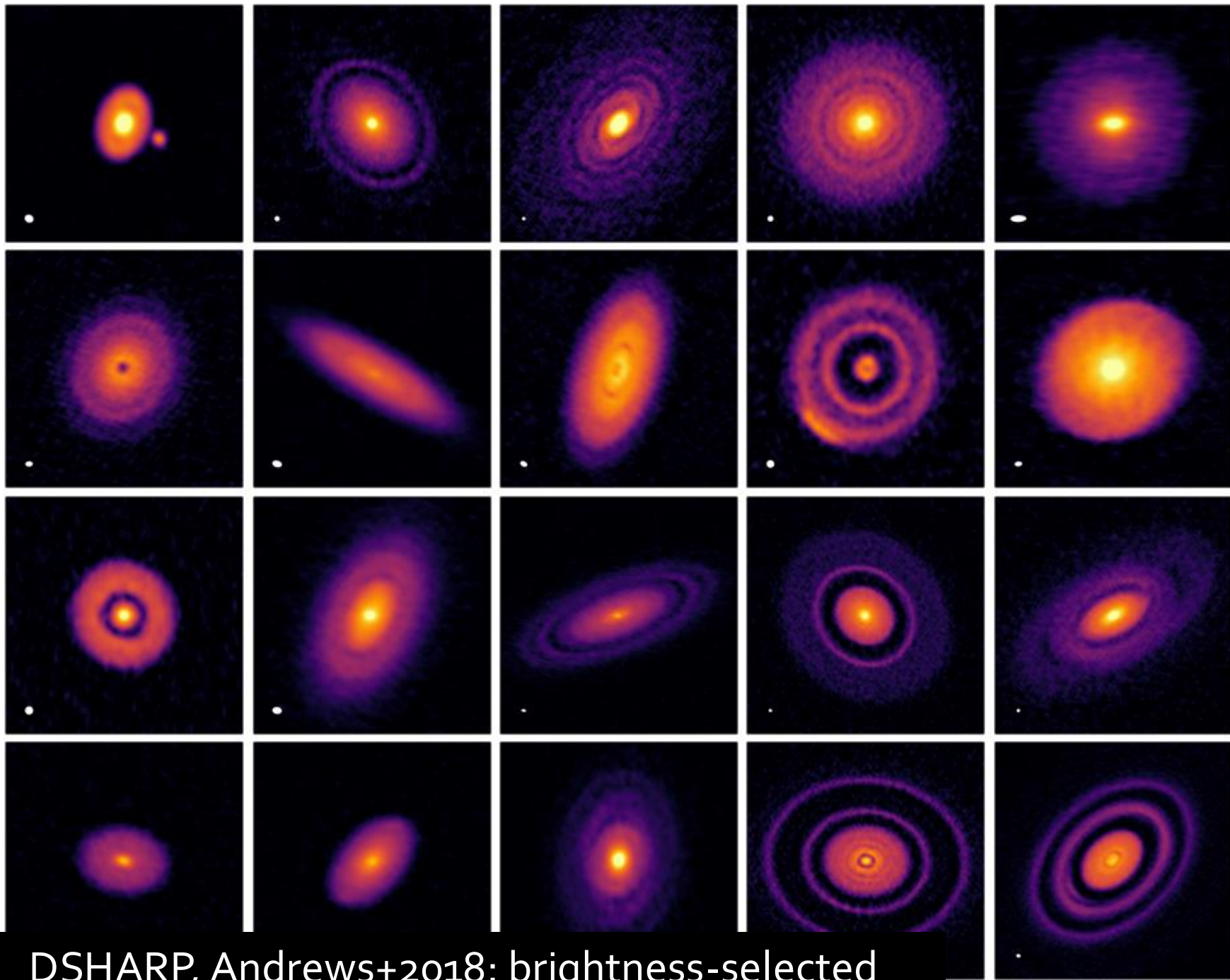
Formation of the protosun. Solid particles condense as the nebula cools, giving rise to the planetesimals, which are the building blocks of the planets.

Planets should form in disk and carve a gap



Image of a
protoplanetary disk



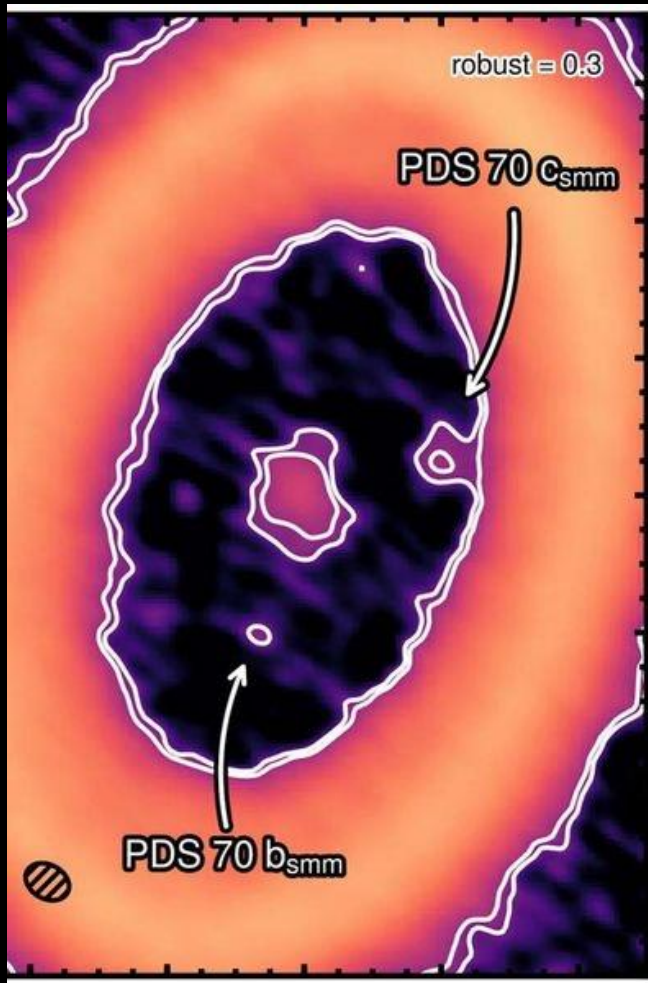


DSHARP, Andrews+2018: brightness-selected

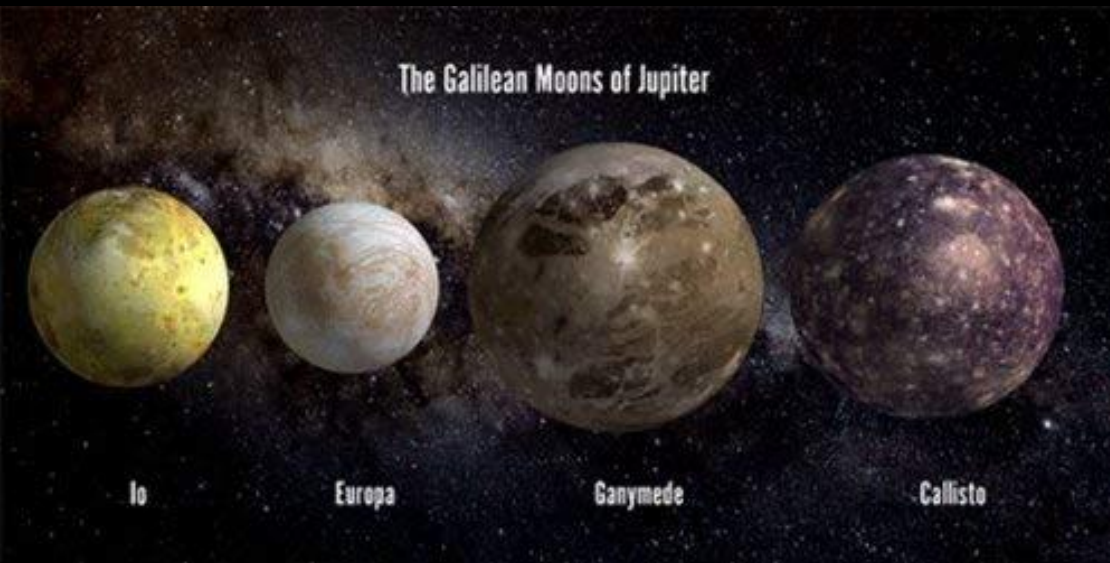
Planet in a
protoplanetary disk!



Proto-lunar disks around PDS 70bc?



ALMA/dust, Isella+2019

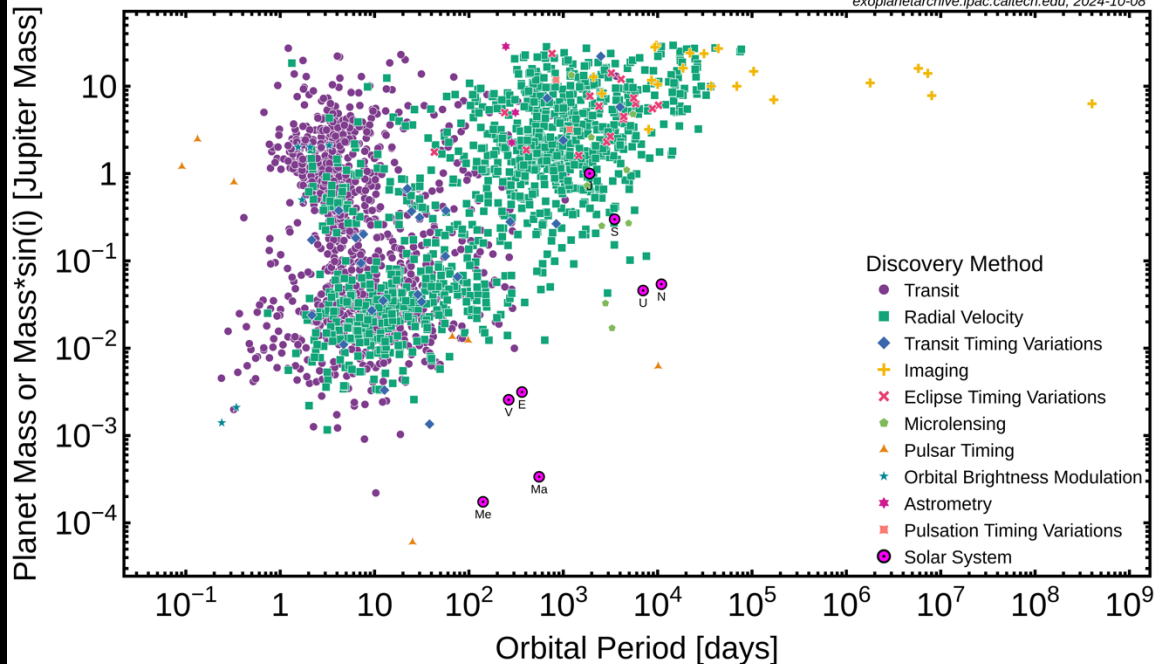


Planets are everywhere!

- Many different detection techniques
 - Most common planet: “Super Earth”
 - Earths still challenging
 - Atmospheres very challenging
 - Many biases to larger planets, closer objects
- Planet Formation
 - Observational evidence for unseen planets
 - Challenge: Microscopic interactions on tiny scales lead to planets
 - Requires simulations+observations

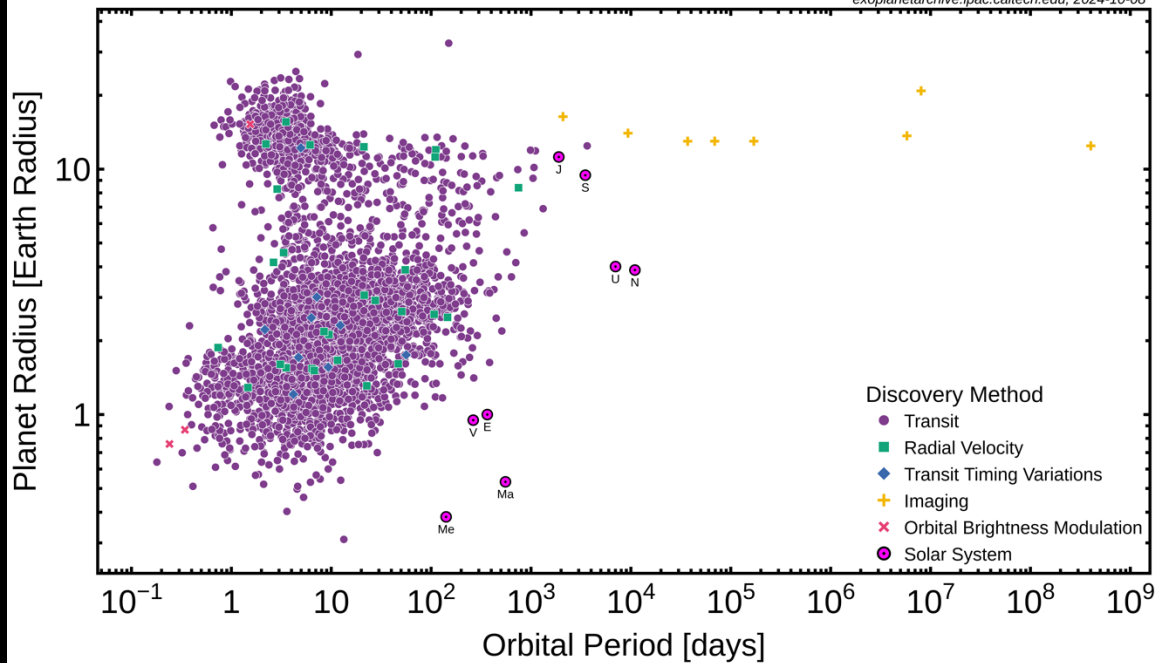
Planet Mass or Mass* $\sin(i)$ vs Orbital Period

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Planet Radius vs Orbital Period

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Next lecture: the Milky Way!

