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Ulf Seemann, Cullen H. Blake...



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La pluralité des mondes habités
(C. Flammarion 1862)

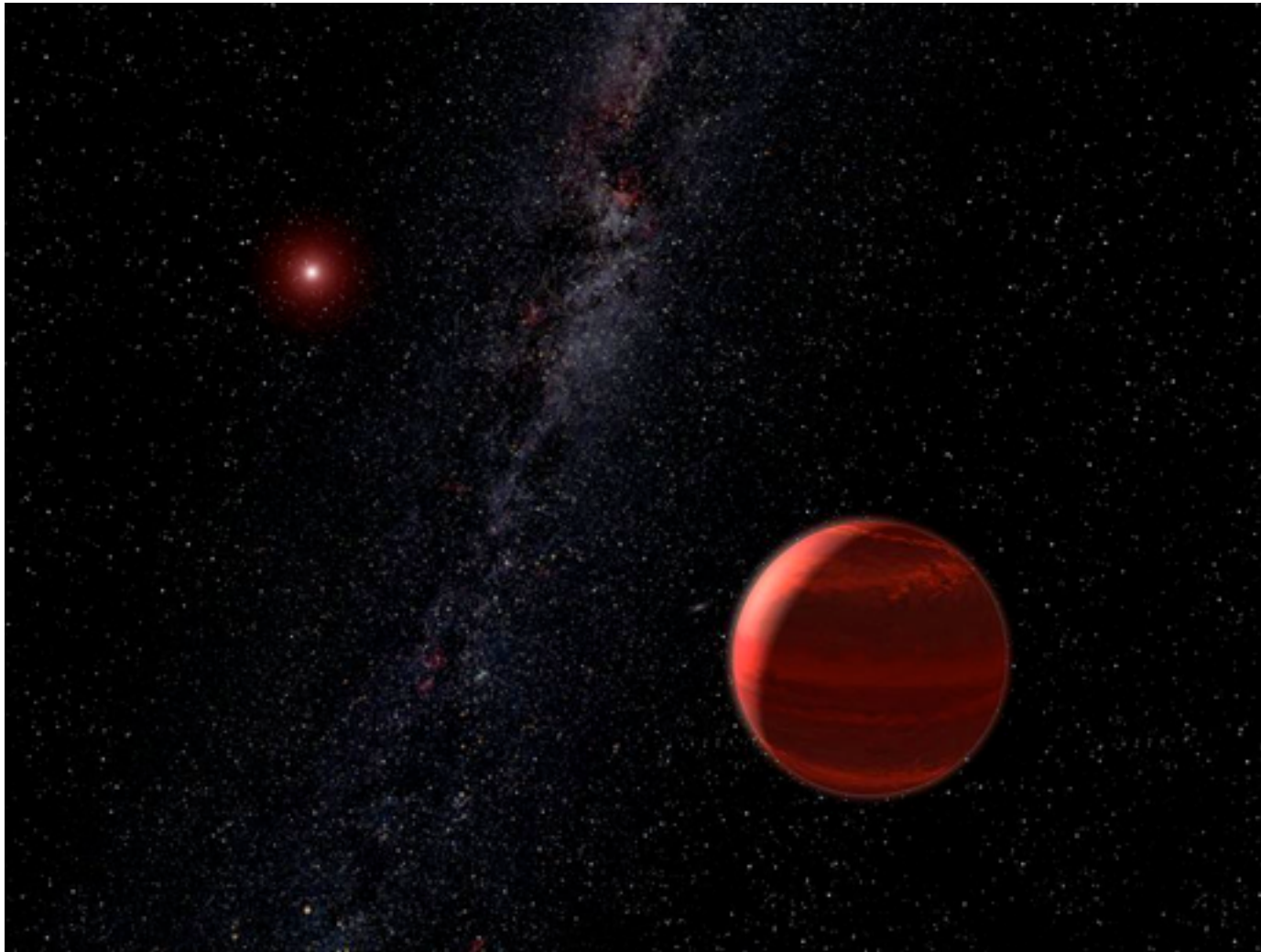


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Open session: François Forget, Dániel Apai, **Eric Gaidos**, Jorge Sanz-Forcada, **Feng Tian**, Stephen R. Kane, Jérémy Leconte...



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From habitable planets...



Part I

Tuesday

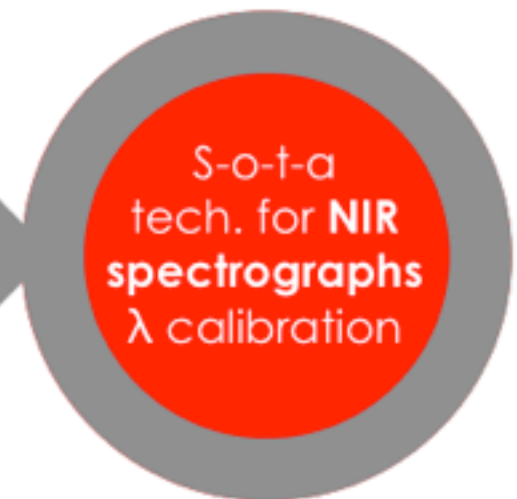
...through M-dwarf
planets...



Part II

Wednesday

...to NIR spectrographs



Part III



Kepler's Habitable Zone Working Group

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SatMeeting5 (Monday)

Validation and compilation of *Kepler* habitable zone candidates

Kepler



Nader Haghighipour
Stephen R. Kane
Ravi K. Kopparapu

(follow-up talk on
Thursday afternoon)



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(Hard sci-fi) Prelude

Planets in HZs around ultracool dwarfs (M6-9V and early L stars, mid and late L brown dwarfs): detectable with current technology!

Franck Selsis, U. Bordeaux, F

Nota bene: L-type stars will harbour the only HZs in the Universe in 10^{14} yr (100 Ta)

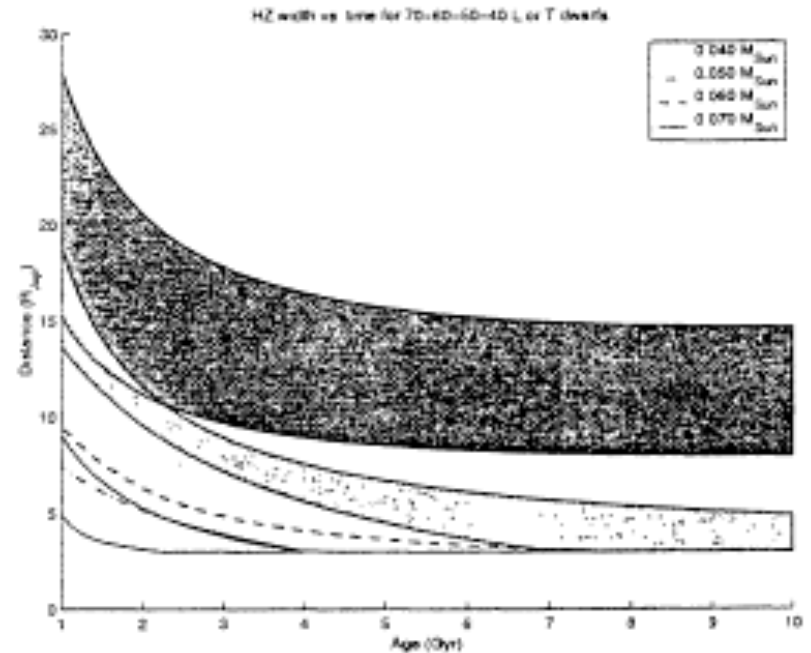


Figure 5. Habitable zones for an hypothetical Earth-like planet around a 0.070 (darkest grey), 0.060, 0.050 or 0.040 M_{\odot} (lightest grey) brown dwarfs. Regions within curves indicate where and when liquid water can be found.

VARIABILITY IN BROWN DWARFS: ATMOSPHERES AND TRANSITS

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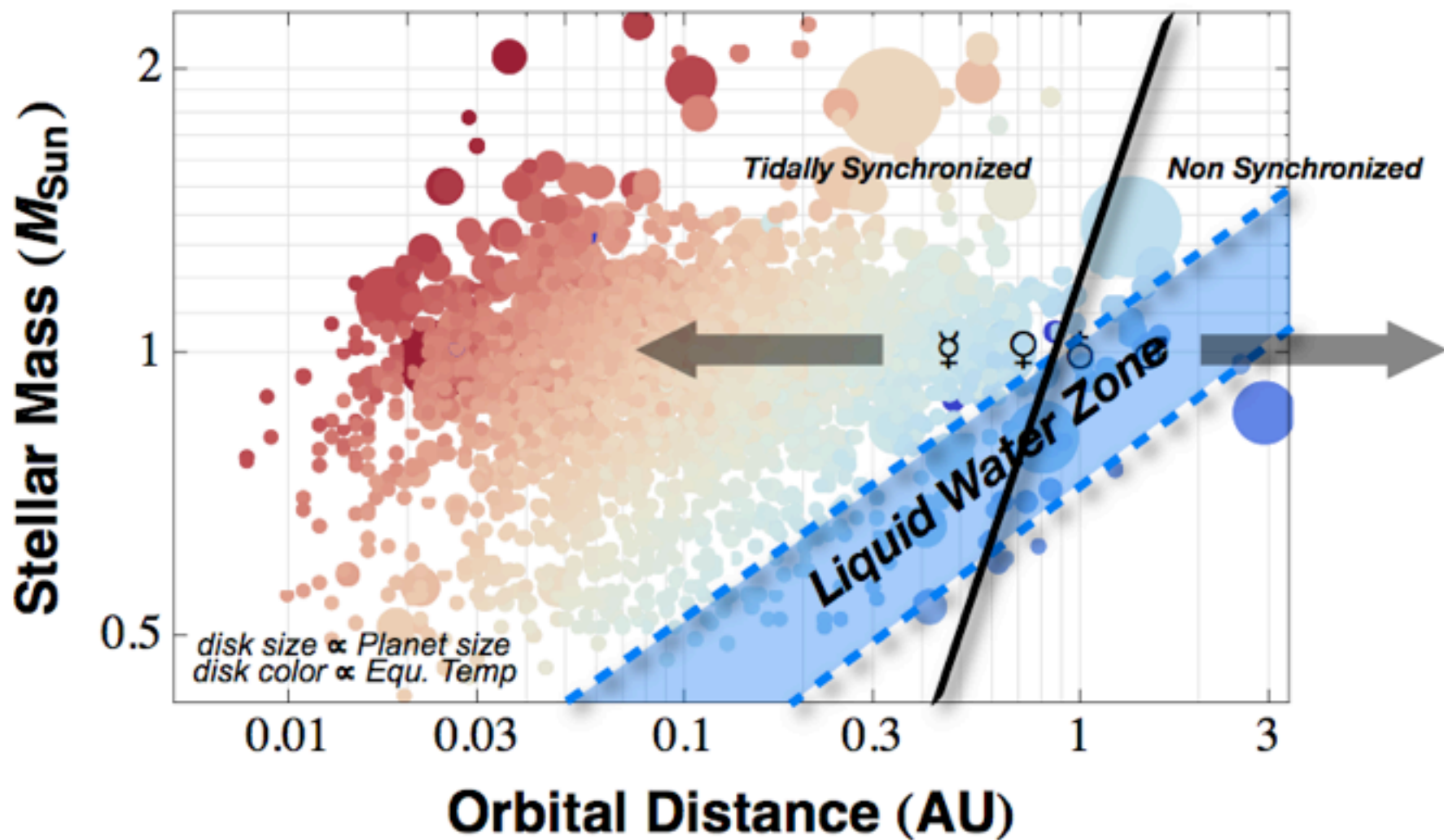


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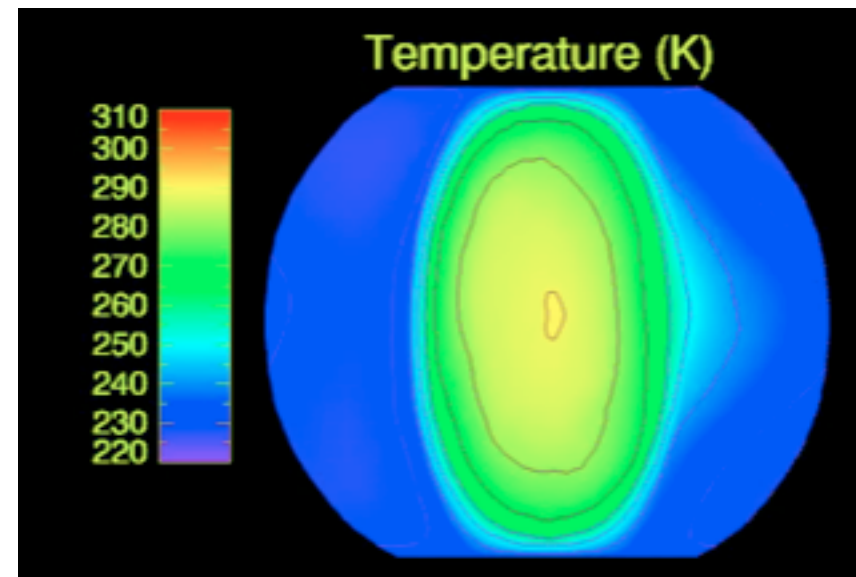
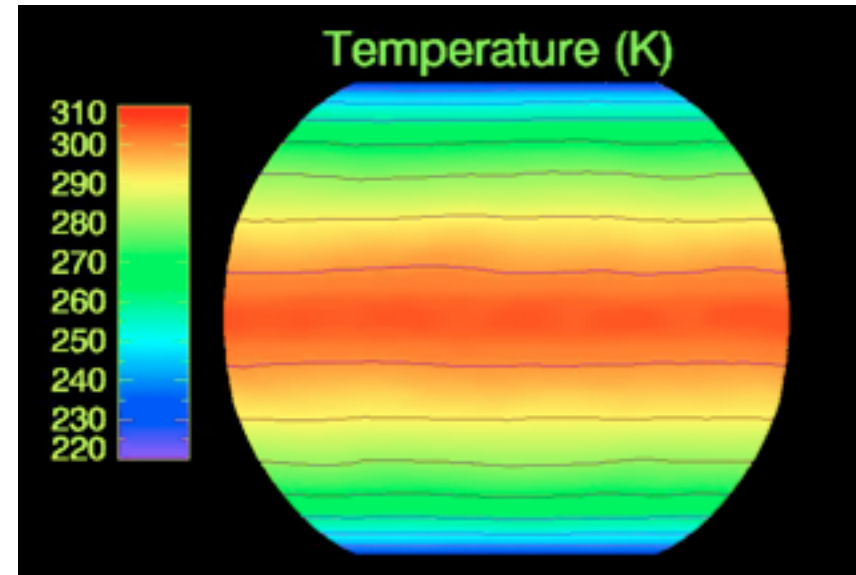
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First movement (Allegro ma non troppo)

M dwarfs low L → Short a_{HZ} →
Tidal locking → Slow and
synchronous rotators (e.g. 24
h vs. 60 d) → **3D general
circulation models** + surface
pressure-dependent **thermal
atmospheric tides**

Eric. T. Wolf, U. Colorado, USA

Jérémy Leconte, CITA/CPS,
CA





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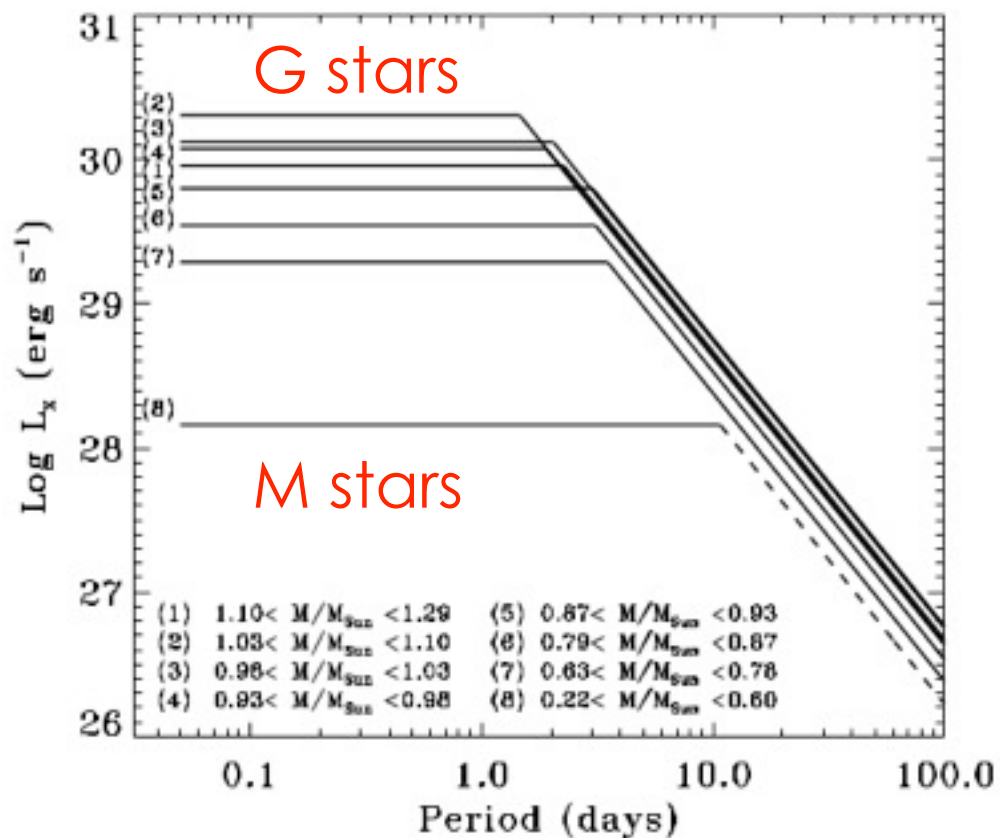
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*Second movement
(Andante molto mosso)*

M dwarfs have deep convective envelopes → **stellar activity** + longer saturation regime → frequent flaring and coronal mass ejections + short a_{HZ} → atmosphere erosion

Jorge Sanz-Forcada, CAB,
E





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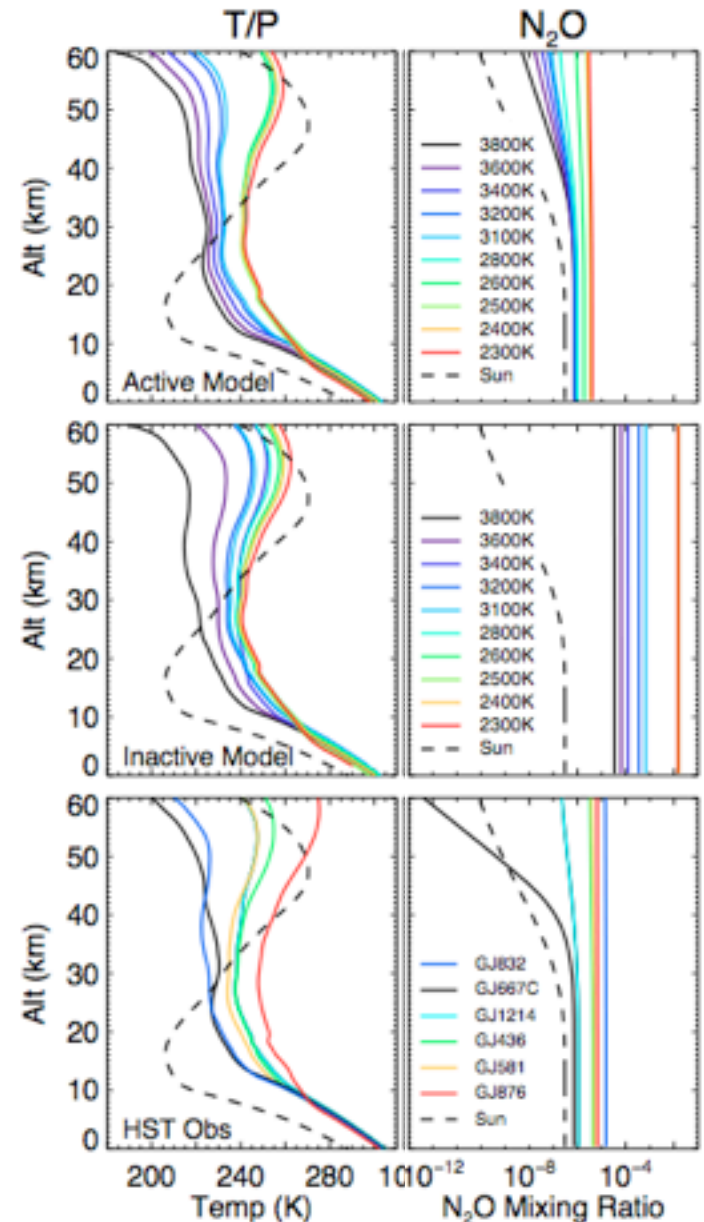
Third movement (Allegro)

Atmospheric chemistry: H loss, haze layers and CH_4 , H_2O_2 , O_2 , O_3 , H_2SO_4 abundances for Mars-, Titan-, Venus- and Earth-like planets

False positive biosignatures: O_2/O_3 , $\text{O}_2/\text{O}_3 + \text{CH}_4/\text{N}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$, thermodynamic disequilibrium...

Peter Gao, Caltech, USA

Sonny Harman, PSU, USA





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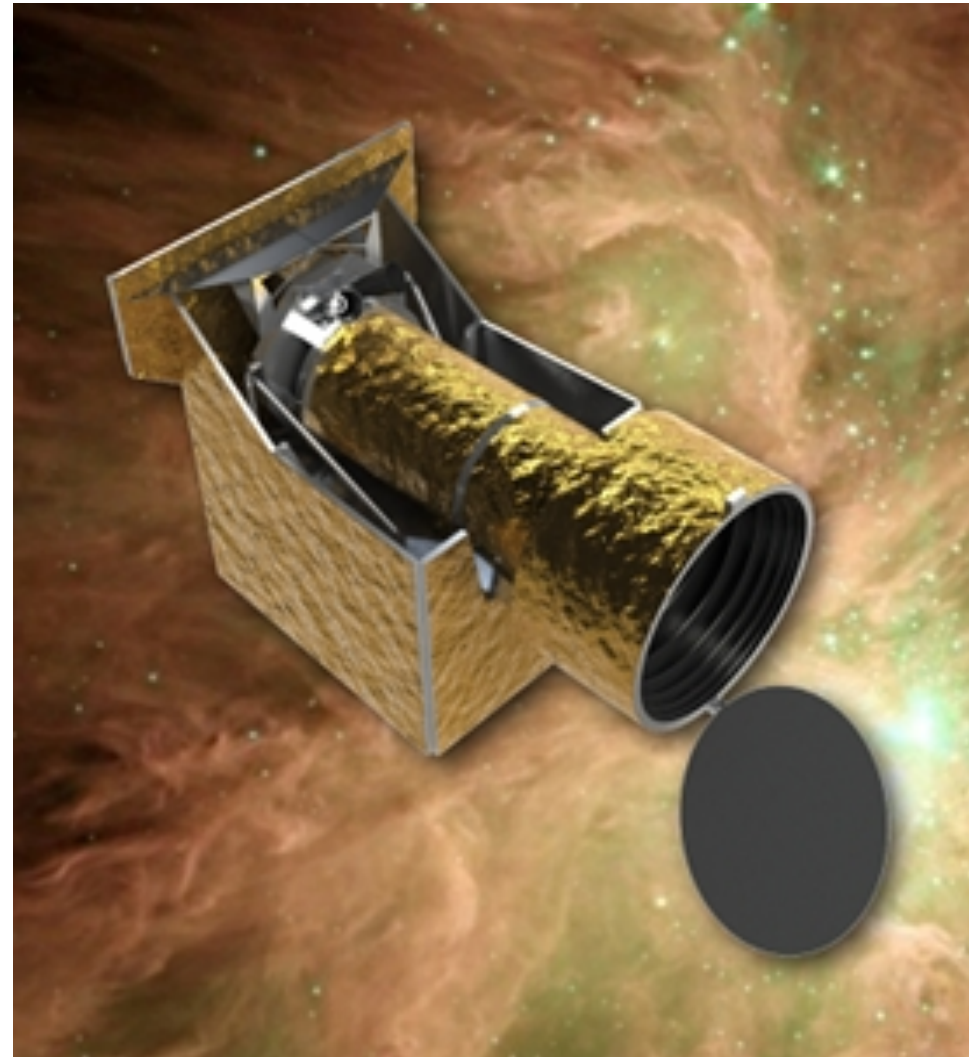
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Fourth movement (Allegro)

Detection, occurrence
and characterisation:
from **Kepler** to **TESS**, **PLATO**
and **JWST** (and beyond)

Ravi K. Kopparapu, PSU,
USA



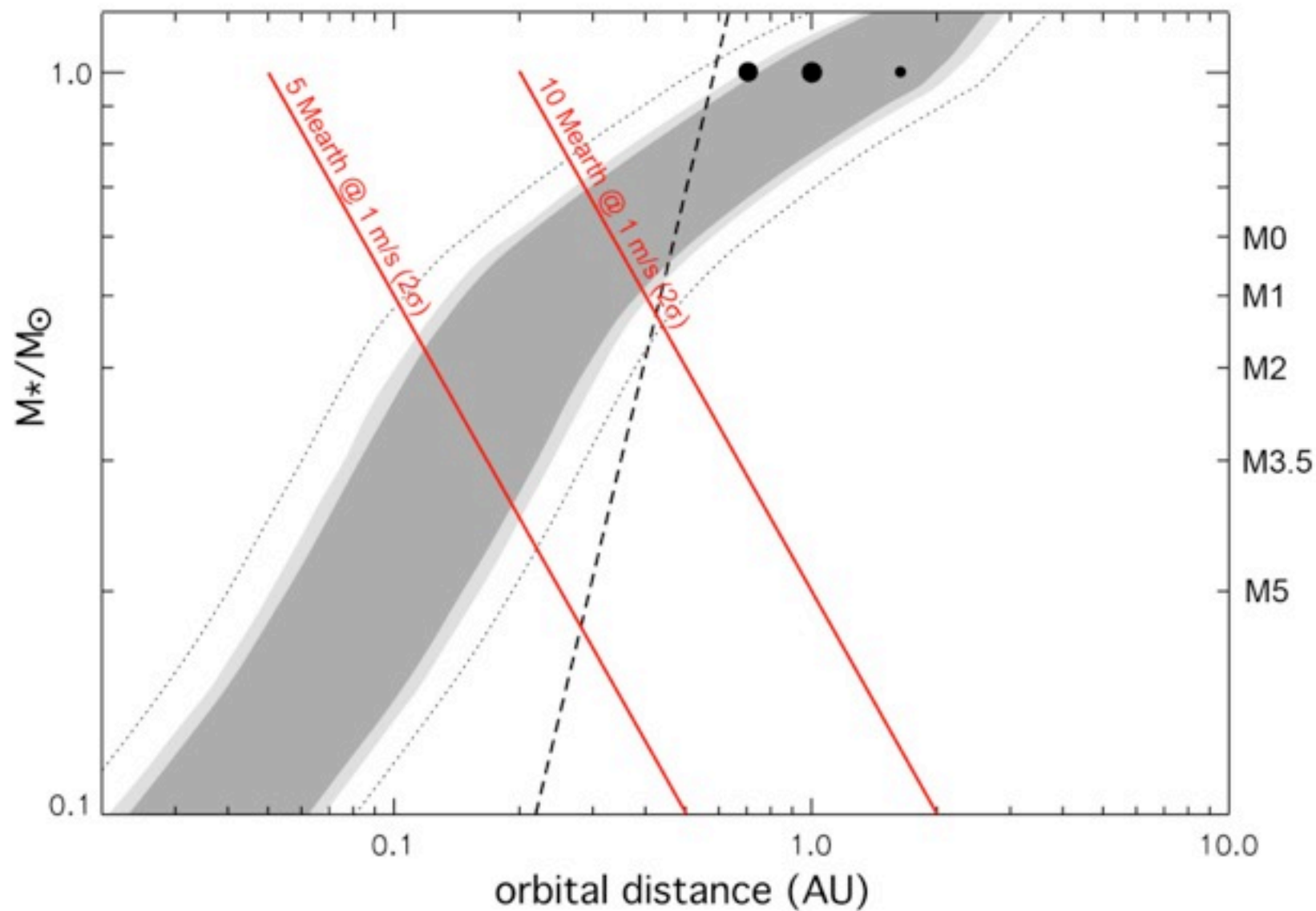


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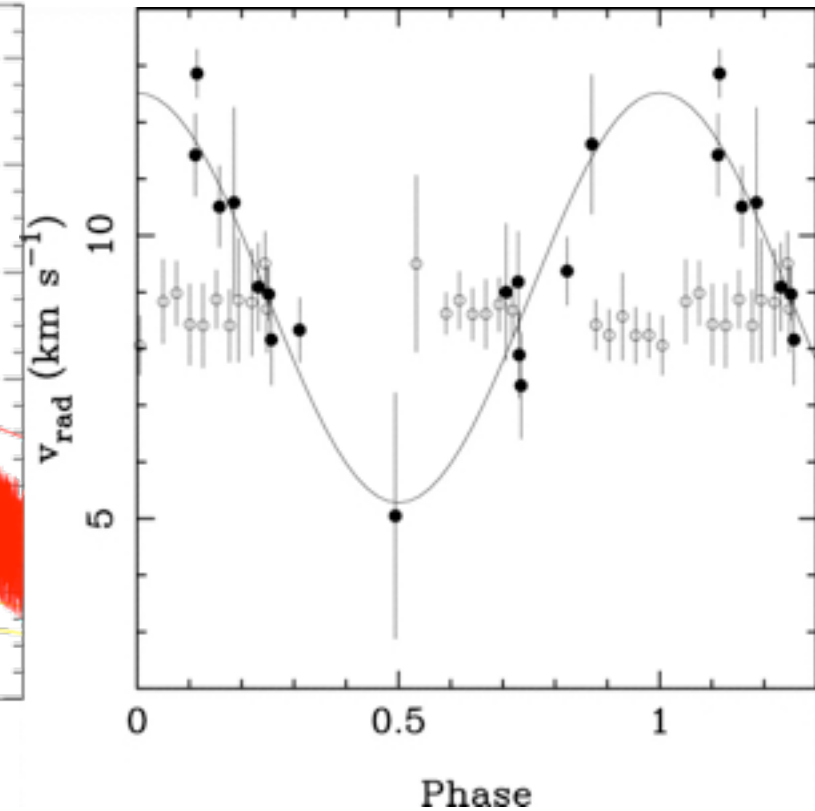
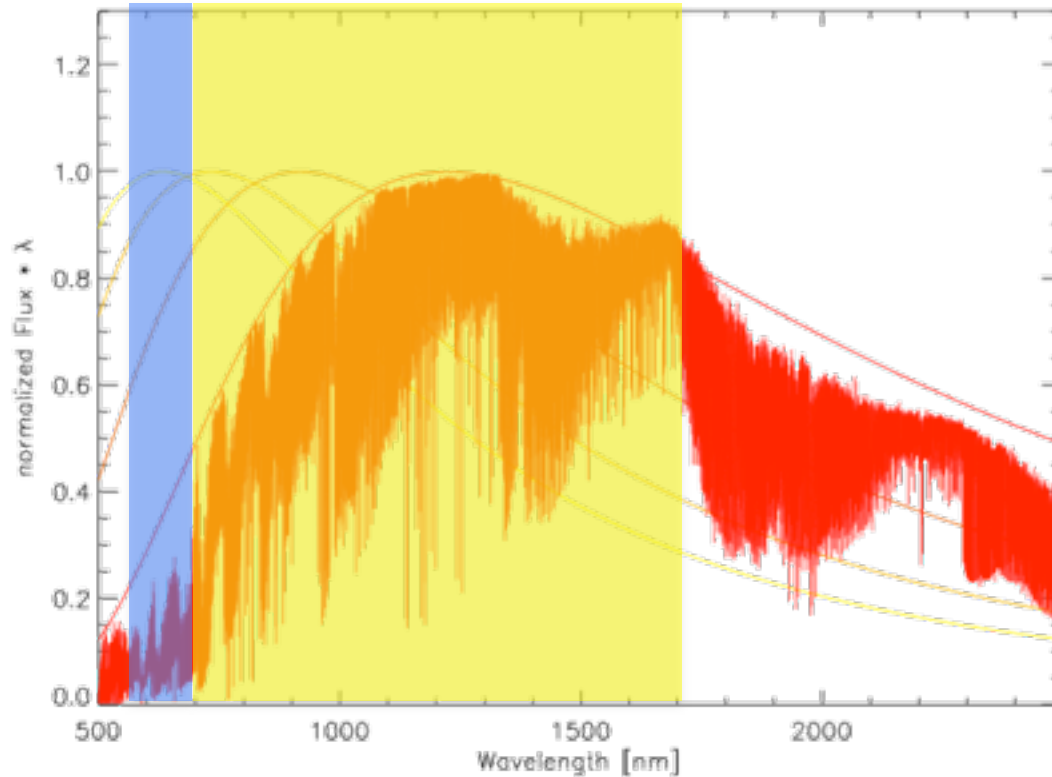
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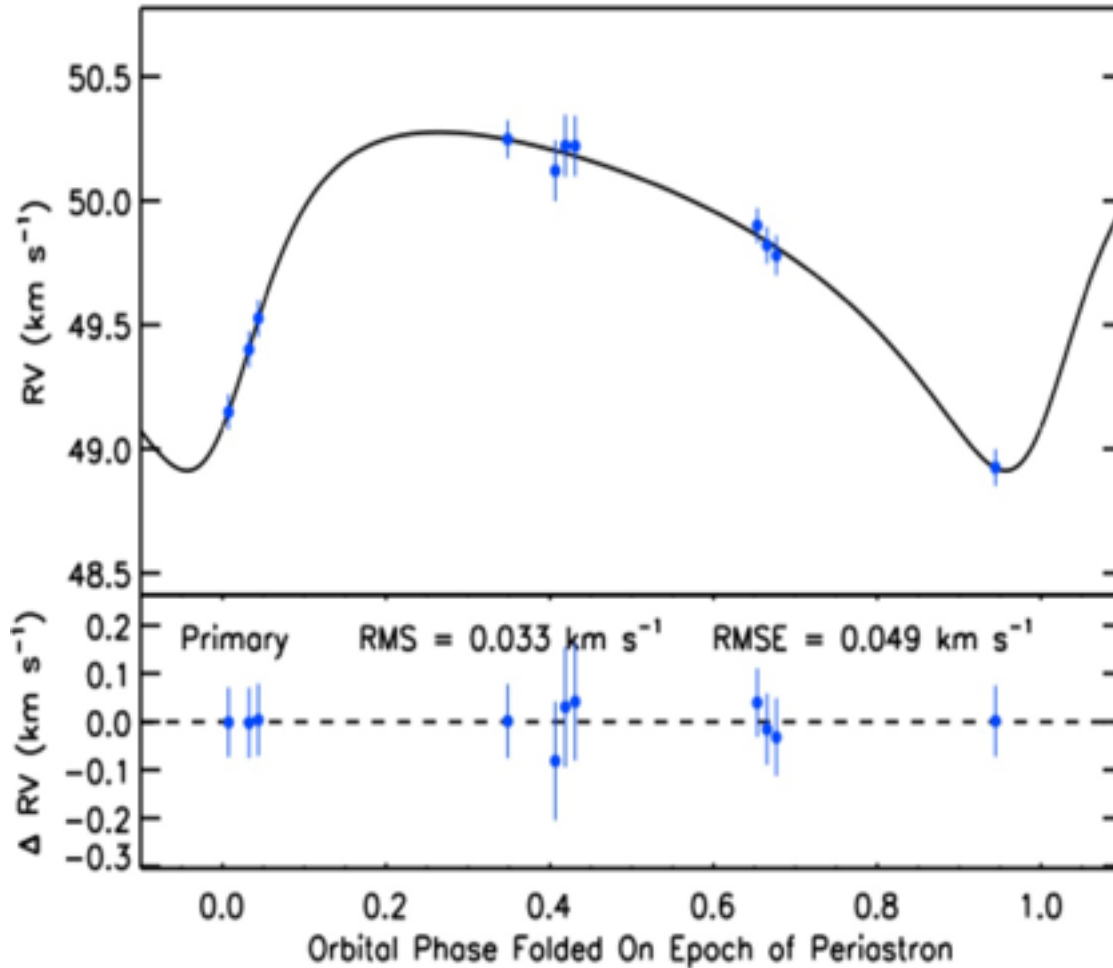


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**SDSS APOGEE
(H band,
R~20k)
DETECTS RV
SIGNAL OF
SUBSTELLAR
COMPANION
AROUND A
TELLURIC
STANDARD**

First NIR RV planet discovery?

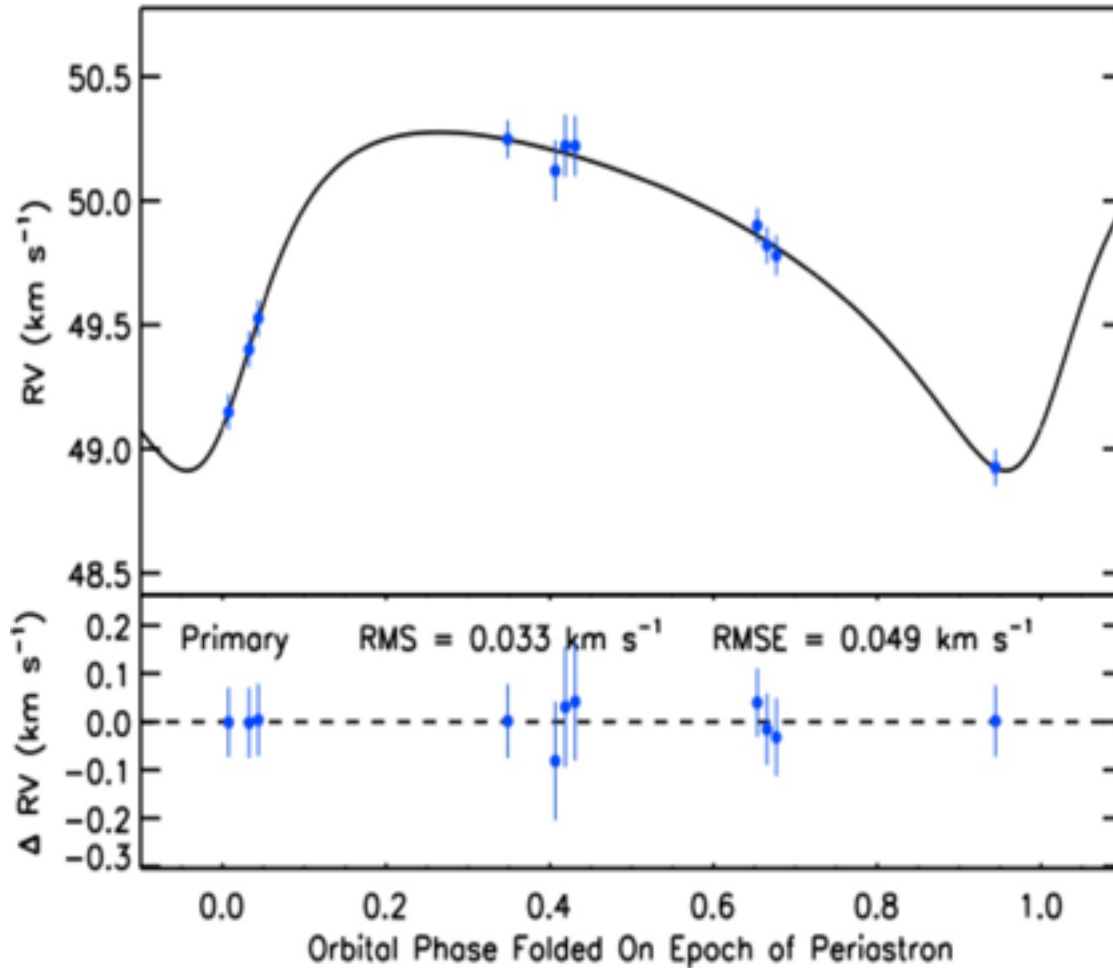
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**SDSS APOGEE
independently
DETECTS RV
SIGNAL OF
known PLANET
AROUND
HD114762
(Latham et al.
1989)**

*First NIR RV planet **recovery***

HD 114762

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Fifth movement (Allegretto)

- **HPF/HET** (*Suvrath Mahadevan*)
- **SPIROU/CFHT** (*Isabel Boisse*)
- **IRD/Subaru** (*Takayuki Kotani*)
- **CARMENES/3.5m Calar Alto** (*Andreas Quirrenbach*)
- **Giano/TNG** (*Riccardo Claudi*)
- **NAHUAL/GTC** (*Carlos del Burgo*)
- **TARdYS/6.5m TAO** (*Leonardo Vanzi*)
- **CSHELL-iSHELL/IRTF & MINERVA-Red** (*Peter Plavchan*)
- **CRIRES+/VLT** (*Ulf Seemann*)
- **HIRES/E-ELT** (*Livia Origlia*)



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Instrument	Telescope	1st light	R ($=\Delta\lambda/\lambda$)	λ [μm]	Budget	Remark
CSHELL	3.0 m IRTF	1990s	46,000	(1-5):0.005	Mid	To be decomm.
GIANO	3.6 m TNG	2012	50,000	0.95-2.45	Mid	On sky
NAHUAL	10.4 m GTC	-	70,000	0.9-2.4	High	Cancelled
CARMENES	3.5 m Calar Alto	Oct. 2015	82,000	0.55-1.70	Mid	VIS & NIR channels
MINERVA-Red	2 x 0.7 m Mt. Hopkins	Fall 2015	50,000	0.84-0.89	Low	On site
iSHELL	3.0 m IRTF	Apr. 2016	70,000	(1-5):0.25	Low	Gas cell
IRD	8.2 Subaru	Early 2016	70,000	0.97-1.75	Mid	Laser comb, ceramics, AO
HPF	9.2 HET	Fall 2016	50,000	0.8-1.3	Mid	Laser comb
CRIRES+	8.2 VLT UT	2017	100,000	(0.95-5.30):0.40	Low	Polarimetry
SPIRou	3.6 CFHT	Mid 2017	75,000	0.98-2.35	Mid	Polarimetry
TARdYS	6.5 m TAO	201?	54,000	0.84-1-11	Low	5640 m
HIRES	39 m E-ELT	>2022	100,000	0.31-2.50	High	2-4 channels



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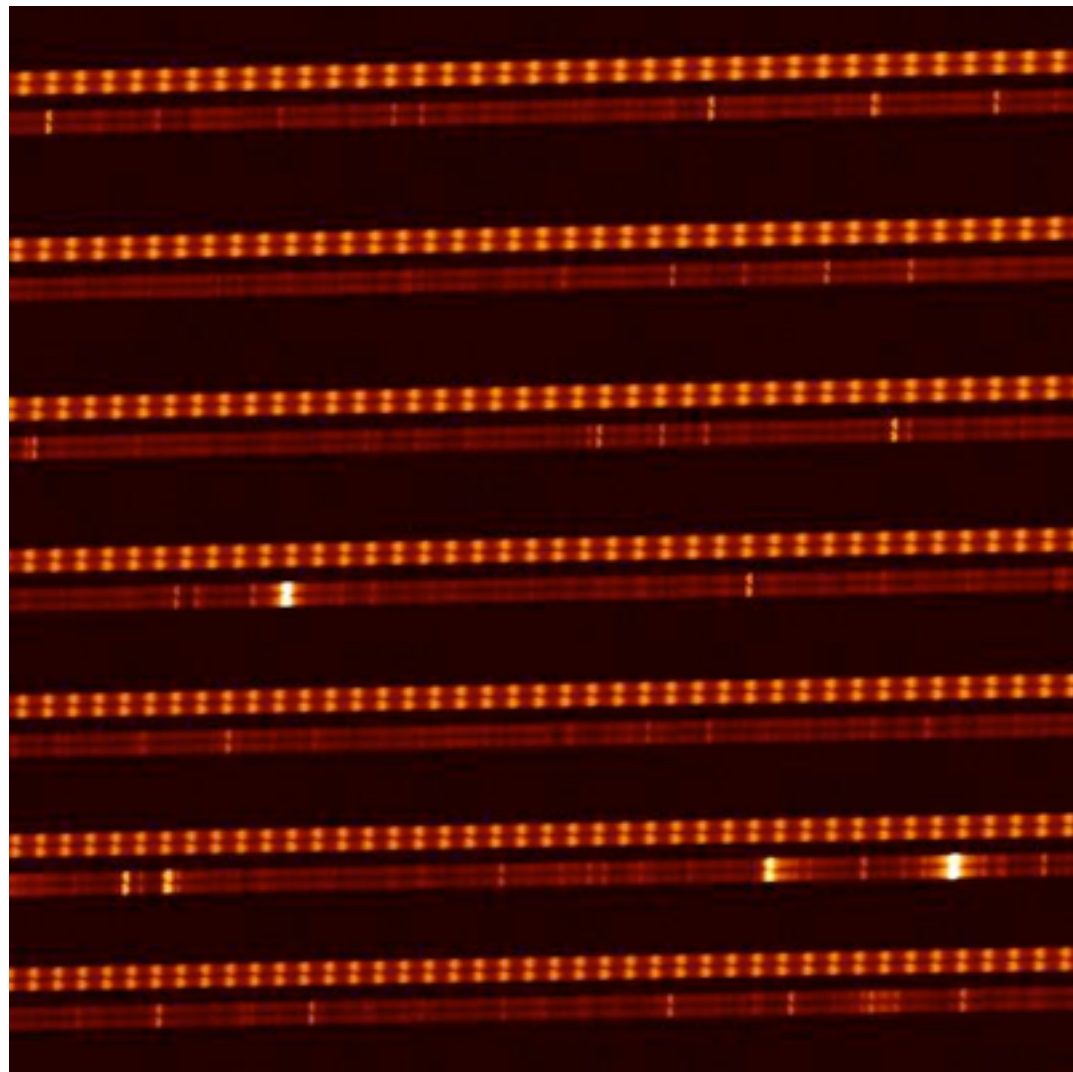
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Coda

NIR laser combs (**Scott Diddams**, NIST, USA)

NIR Fabry-Pérot etalons
(**Samuel Halverson**, PSU, USA)

NIR bulk spectrographs
(**Christian Schwab**, Macquarie U., AU)





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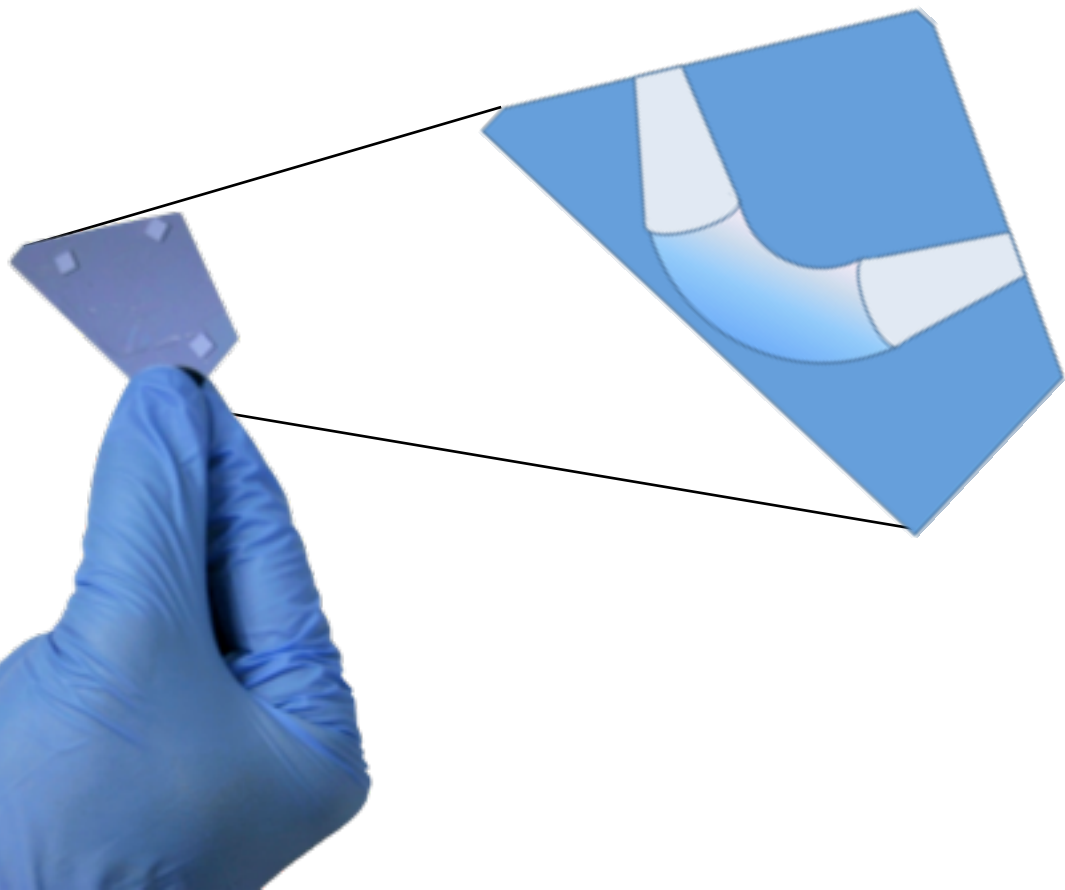
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Postlude

Game/

Poll/

Exam



Q9: most probable habitable planet example?

a) *Tatooine* (Mars, Arrakis): **desert** planet

b) *Kamino* (Caladan, Solaris): **ocean** planet

c) *Hoth* (Europa, Snowball Earth): **ice** planet

• *Mustafar* (Io): **lava** planet

a) *Endor* (Kashyyyk, Yavin IV): **jungle** planet

b) *Terra*...



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(See answers of game/poll/exam at the end of this presentation, in the Pathways 2015 web site)



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Last song... (I)

- Still a lot to do on planets in HZs around M dwarfs: 3D atmosphere models of synchronised planets, atmosphere erosion by stellar radiation, chemistry and potential biosignatures...
- “Future is bright(er from the space)”: *Gaia*, *TESS*, *PLATO*...



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Last song... (II)

- The biggest issues in NIR radial-velocity surveys are **stellar activity** and, especially, **NIR detectors** (interpixel capacitance, persistence, read noise, availability and cost – avoid monopoly vendors?)
- Other issues are wavelength calibration, telluric absorption, fibres (modal noise, scrambling), T and P ultra-stability in cryogenics, adaptive optics, data reduction



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Last song... (III and last)

- NIR-spectrograph community has got a critical mass – generally collegial and sharing already
- Enhance cross-pollination: sharing portions of targets lists? – white paper for funding search? – next dedicated meeting(s)?



Kepler-186f is the first Earth-size planet discovered in the potentially "habitable zone" around another star, where liquid water could exist on the planet's surface. Its star is much cooler and redder than our Sun. If plant life does exist on a planet like Kepler-186f, its photosynthesis could have been influenced by the star's red-wavelength photons, making for a color palette that's very different from the greens on Earth. This discovery was made by Kepler, NASA's planet-hunting space telescope.





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Part II game/poll/exam results:

Q1: M dwarfs have planets (from microlensing, radial velocity, transit and proto-planetary discs)

Q3+Q5: tidal locking and stellar activity do not rule out habitability



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Q7: except for tidal locking and stellar activity, atmospheric composition and pressure are the most important parameter for habitability of M-dwarf planets

Q9: the most probable habitable planet examples are desert (*Tatooine*) and ocean (*Kamino*) planets

Q11: photosynthesis can be possible on M-dwarf planets in HZ



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Q2+Q4: unclear spectral type for which NIR spectrographs are better than VIS ones: K7-M7V?
Dependance on telescope size, instrument efficiency and stellar activity

Q6: no agreement on what is the best individual passband for RV monitoring of intermediate M dwarfs: ZYJH; agreement on “the wider λ coverage, the better”



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Q8: spectral resolutions $R > 100,000$ are preferred, but lower values at 70,000-90,000 can be sufficient given the high M-dwarfs rotational velocities

Q13: the best wavelength calibration procedure is using simultaneous spectra of Fabry-Pérot etalons or laser combs together with high opto-mechanical stability



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Q10+Q12: the best realistic monitoring approach is with a 4 m-class telescope for $>80\%$ time; however, there is no consensus whether making few visits (<50) on a large star sample (>500), many visits (>500) on a small star sample (<50) or a compromise between number of visits and star sample size