

Exoplanetary atmospheres: Observations and modelling



Introduction

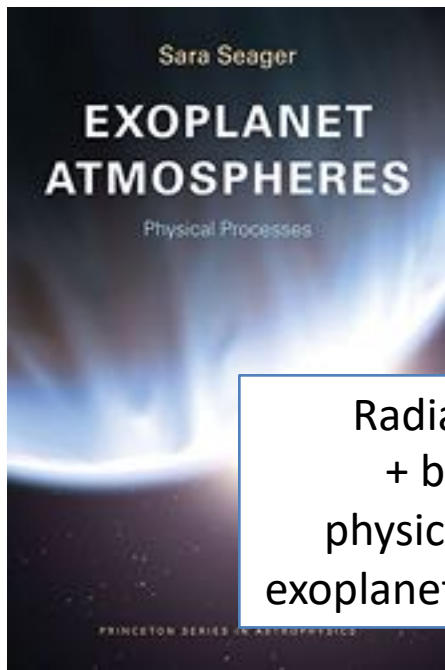
A diversity of exoplanets

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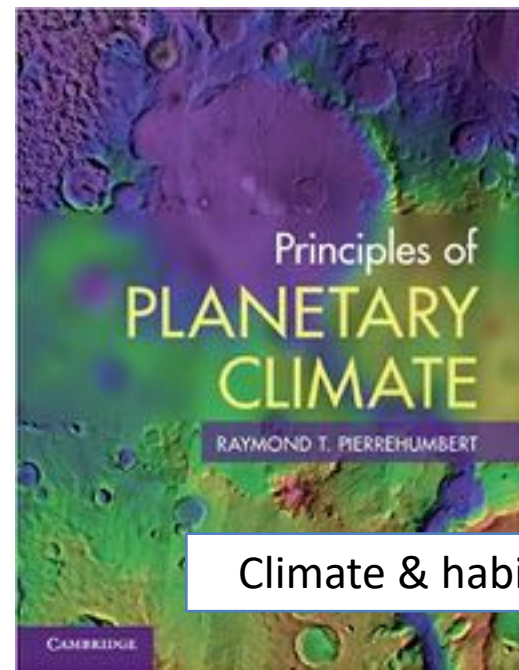
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- Lessons from observations of exoplanets

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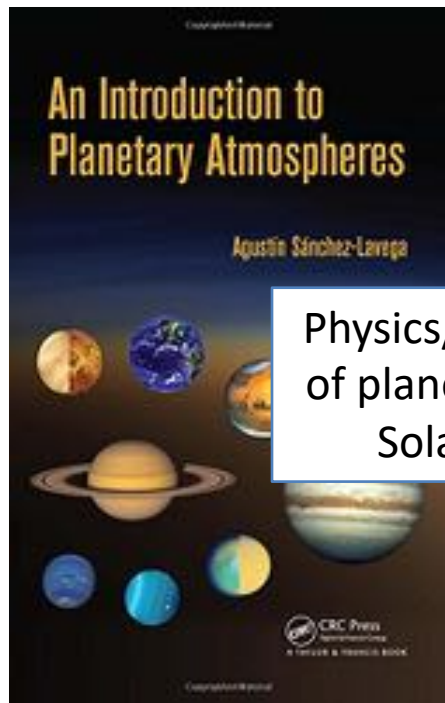
- Radiative transfer
- Thermal structure
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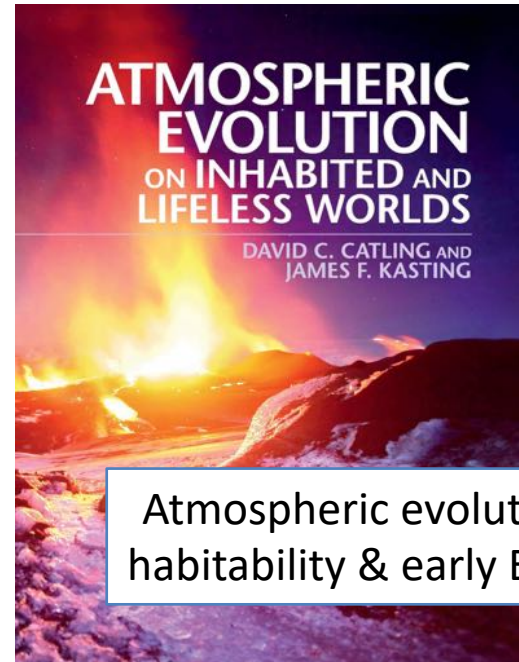
Radiative transfer
+ basics about
physics/chemistry of
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Climate & habitability

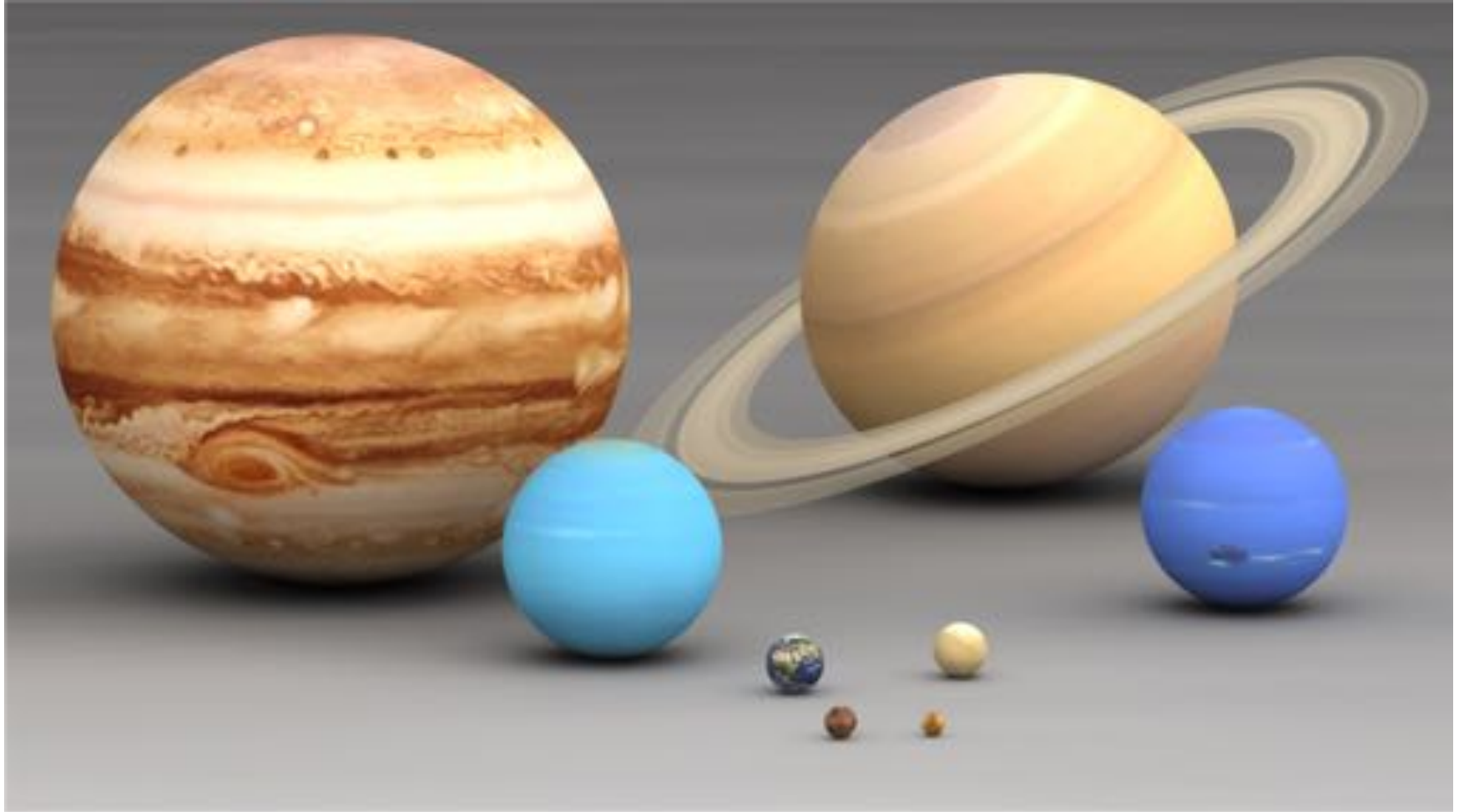


Physics/chemistry/dynamics
of planetary atmospheres &
Solar System planets



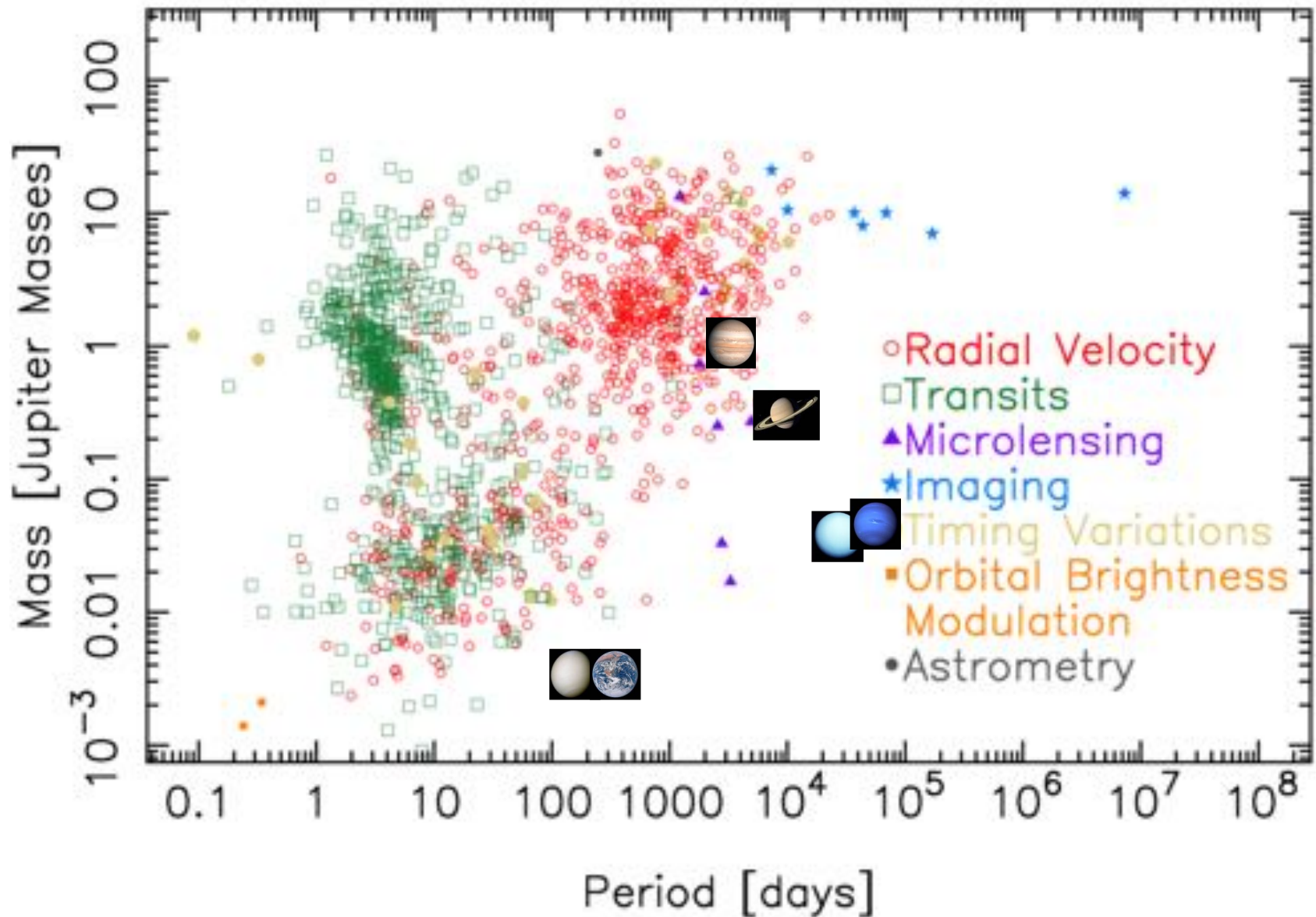
Atmospheric evolution,
habitability & early Earth

Not really a statistically significant sample



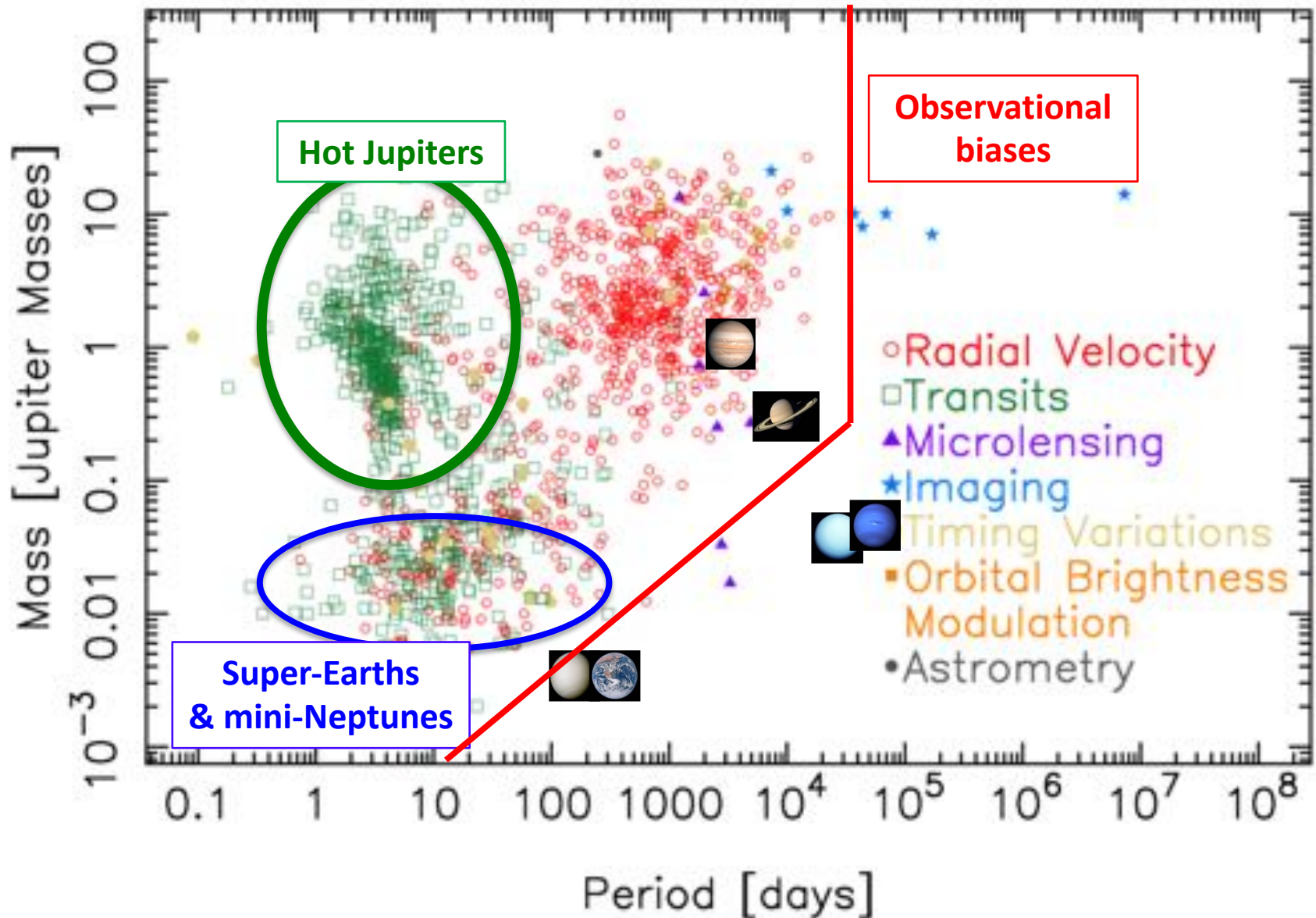
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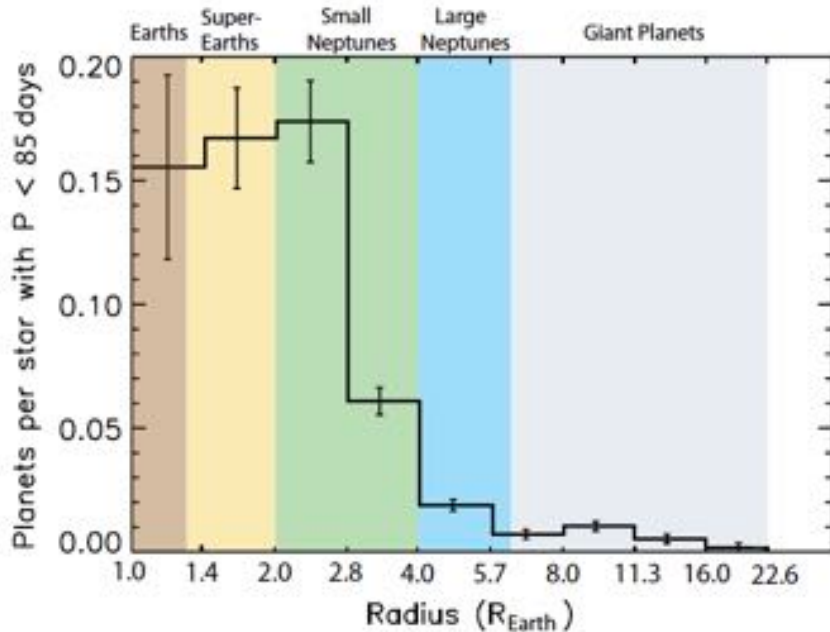
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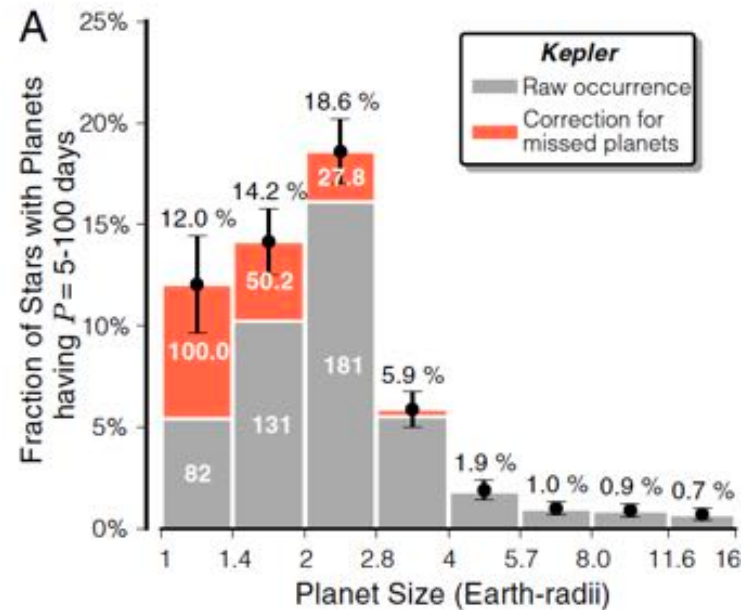
Occurrence rate of planets

$$\text{Occ. Rate} = \frac{\text{Num. of (real) Planet}}{\text{Completeness}}$$

(Number of stars for which a planet would be detected if it's there)



Fressin et al. (2013)



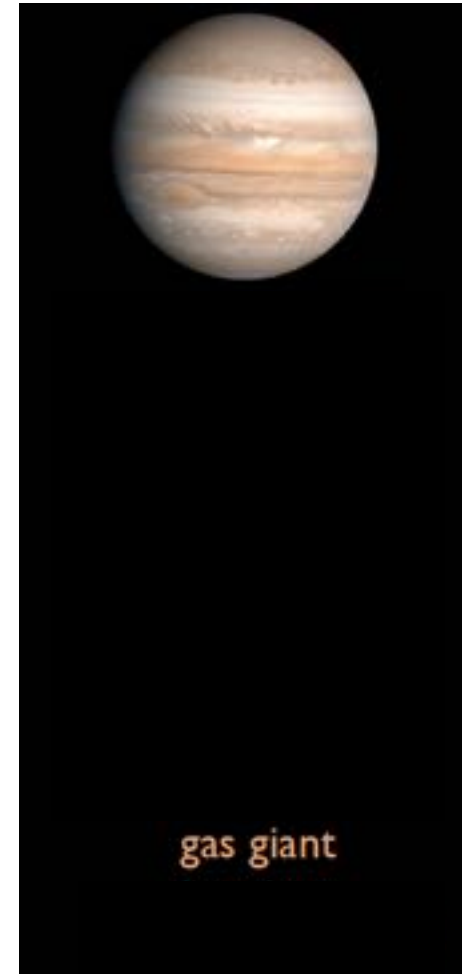
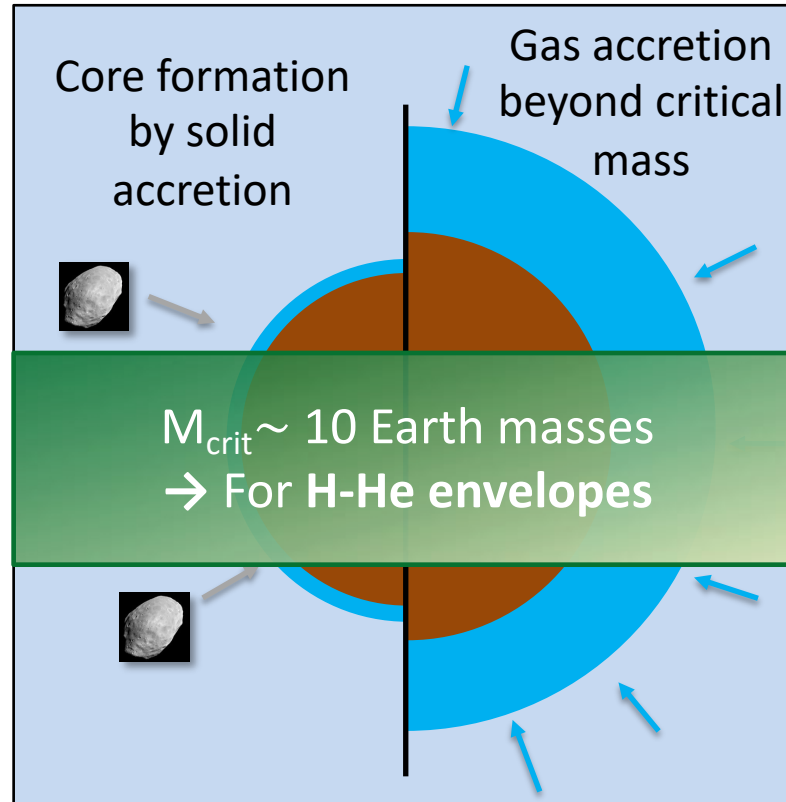
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Planets around Sun-like stars are very common
High fraction of super-Earths and mini-Neptunes

Planet formation: core accretion model



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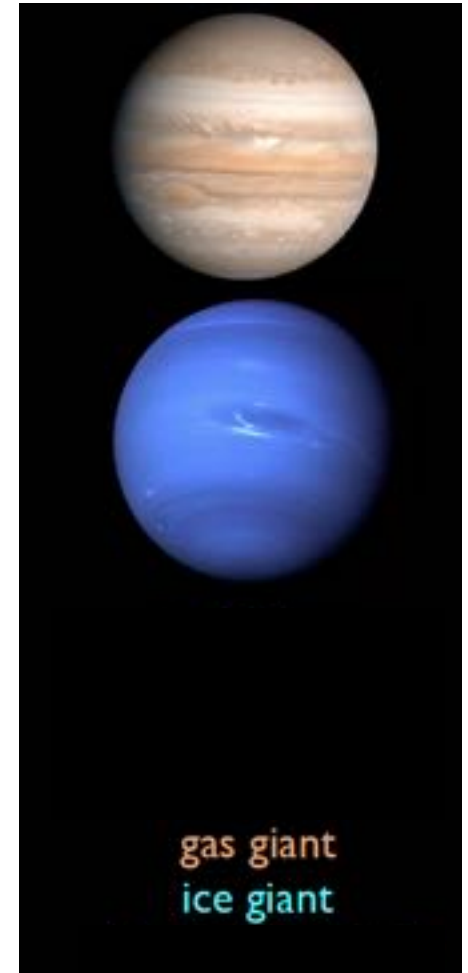
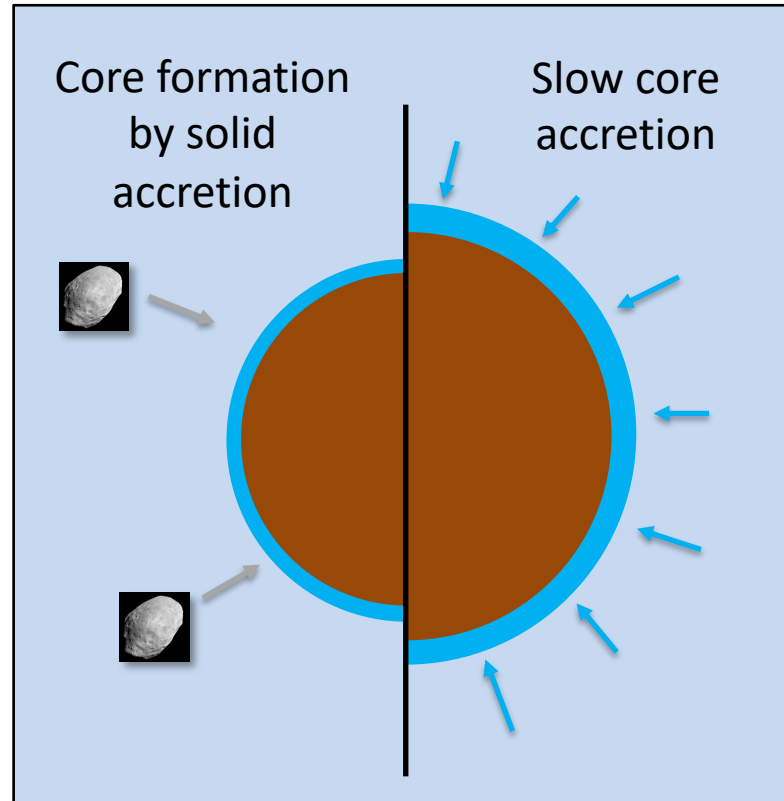


(Perri & Cameron 1974, Mizuno 1978,
Bondeheimer & Pollack 1986, Pollack et al. 1996)

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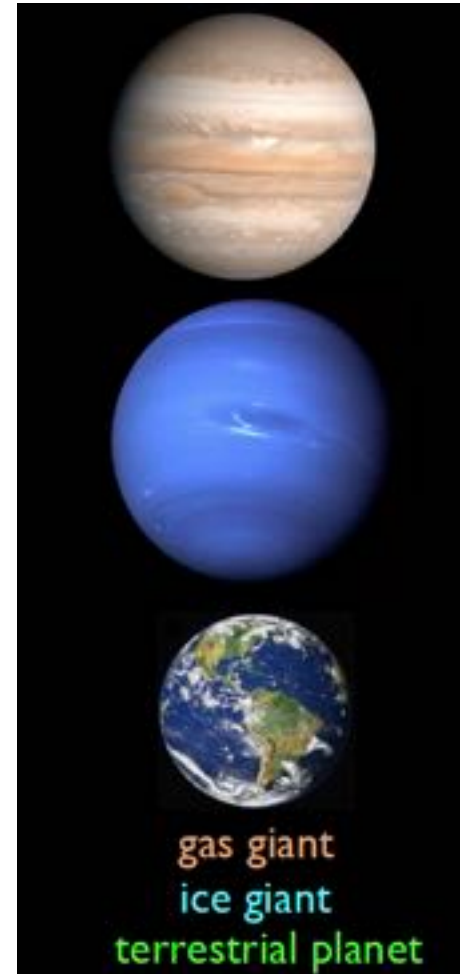
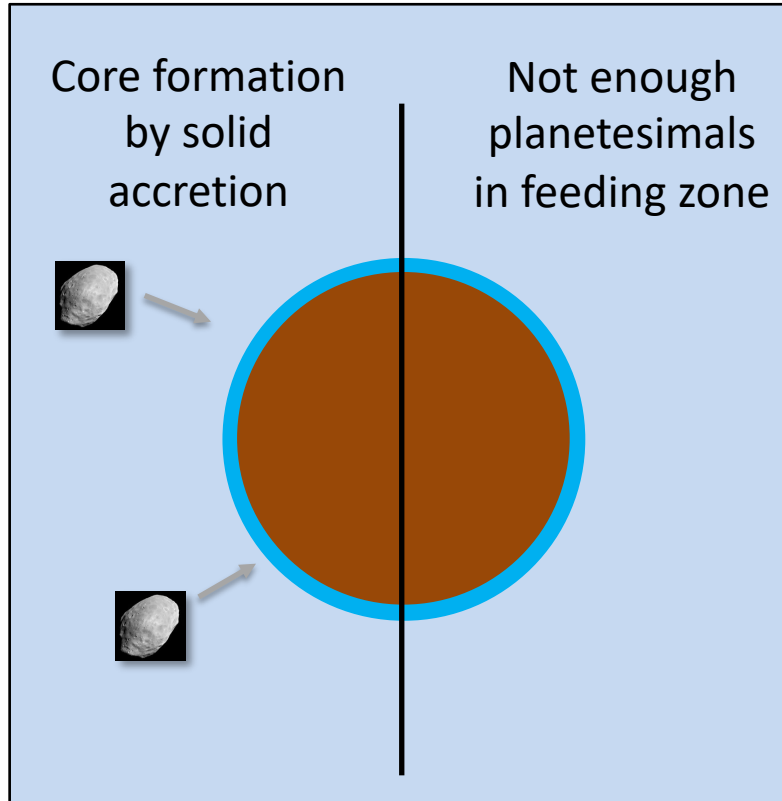
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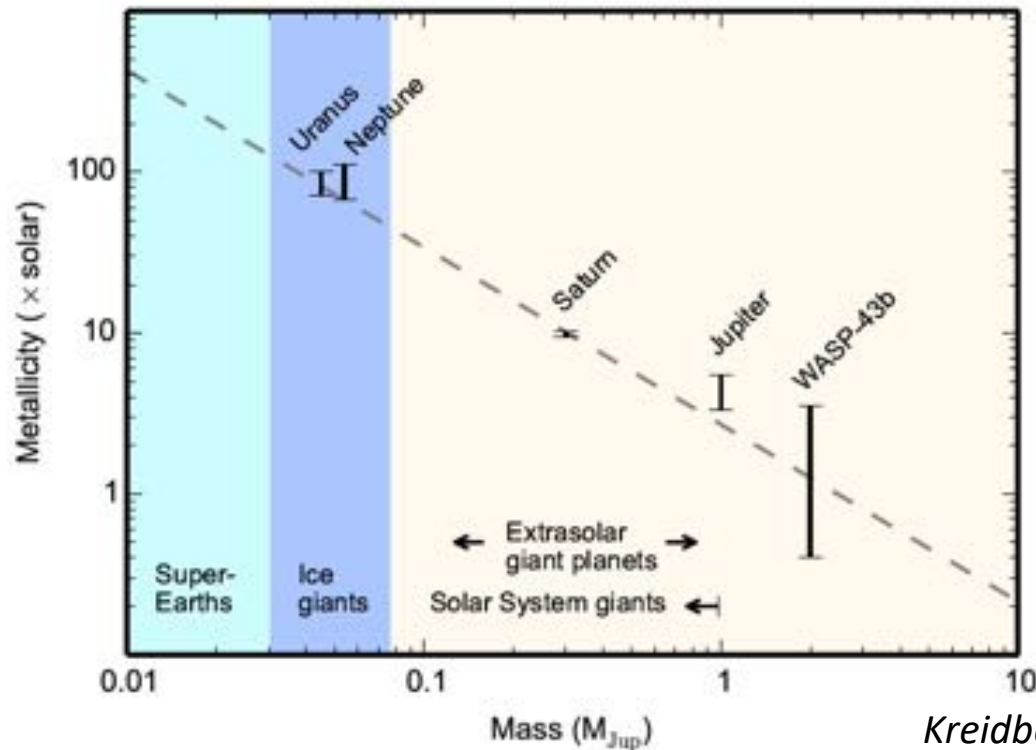


Atmospheres as a probe of planetary interior and formation

Metallicity = fraction of heavy elements (heavier than H and He)

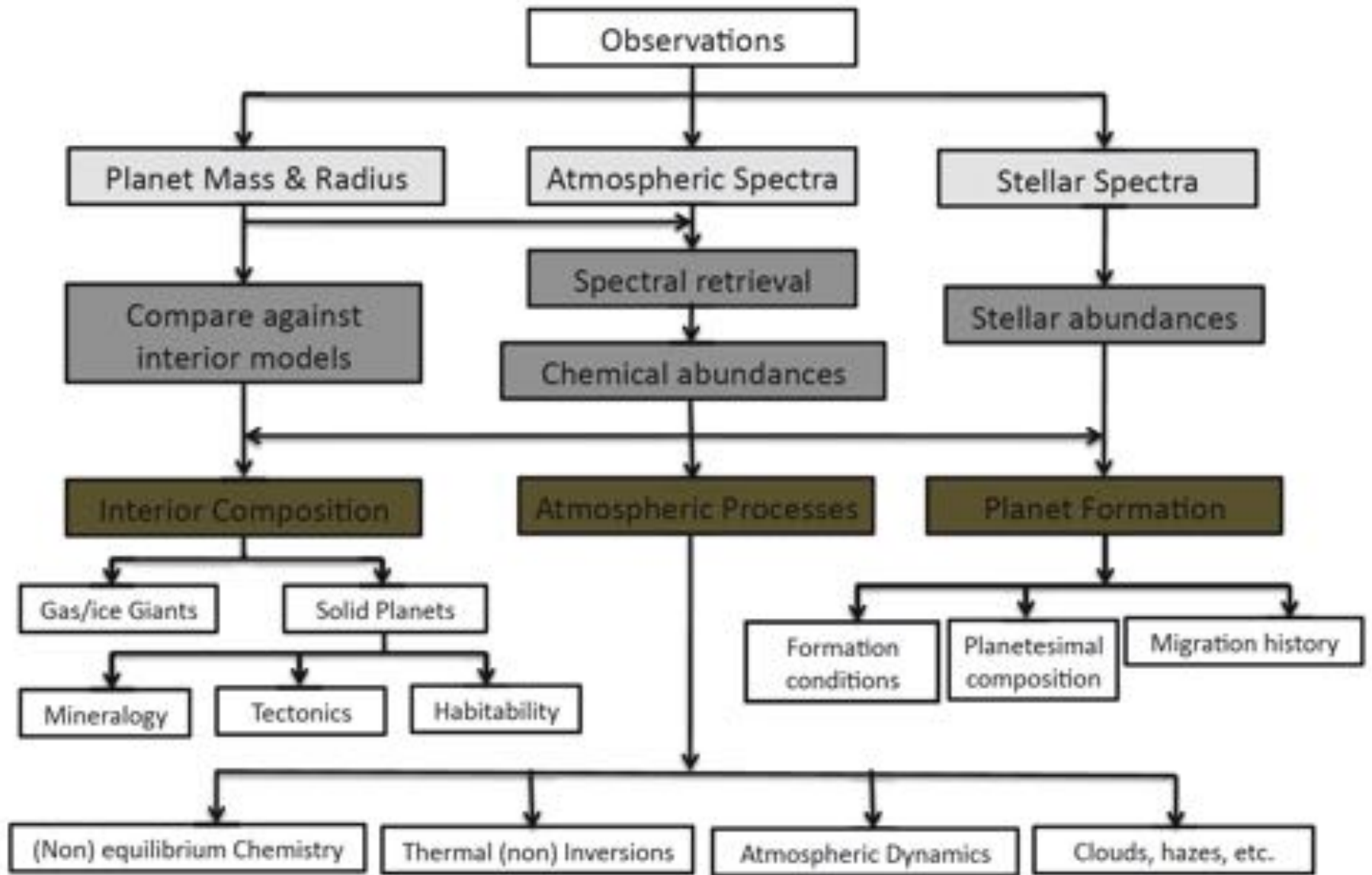
For Solar System atmospheres, metallicity $\approx [C]/[C]_{\text{solar}}$

For exoplanetary atmospheres, metallicity $\approx [O]/[O]_{\text{solar}}$



- Metallicity decreases with planetary mass in the Solar System
- Sub-Neptunes/Neptunes planets formed in-situ should have a relatively low metallicity

→ Measuring the metallicity allows to test formation and migration mechanisms



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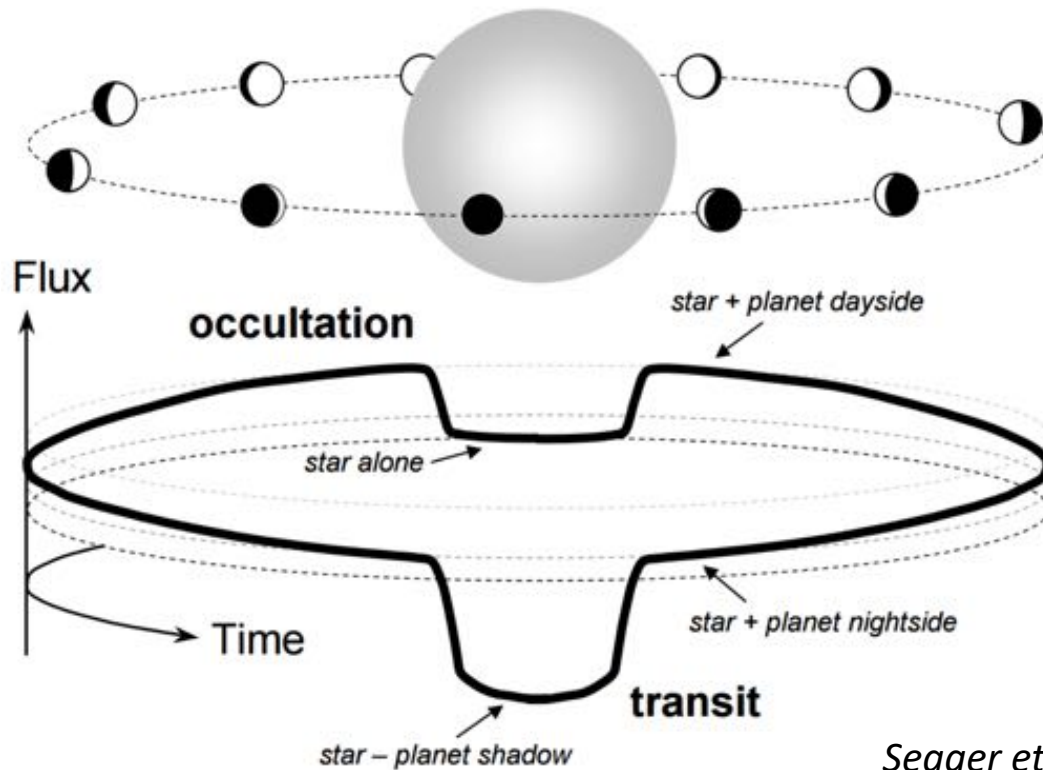
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I) Transit

Probability of transit



Seager et al. (2010)

Prob. of full transit:
$$p_{\text{tra}} = \left(\frac{R_{\star} - R_p}{a} \right) \left(\frac{1 + e \sin \omega}{1 - e^2} \right)$$

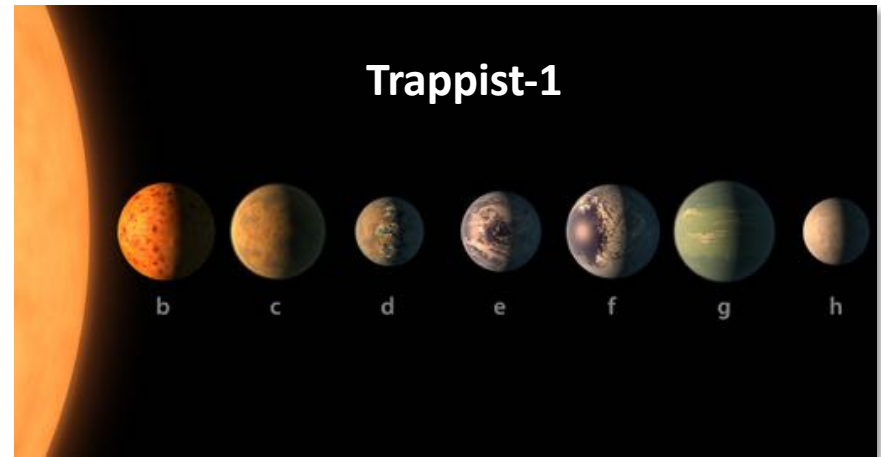
Prob. of full occultation:
$$p_{\text{occ}} = \left(\frac{R_{\star} + R_p}{a} \right) \left(\frac{1 - e \sin \omega}{1 - e^2} \right)$$

If $R_{\star} \gg R_p$ and $e \sim 0$:
$$p_{\text{tra}} = p_{\text{occ}} \approx 0.005 \left(\frac{R_{\star}}{R_{\odot}} \right) \left(\frac{a}{1 \text{ AU}} \right)^{-1}$$

I) Transit

Probability of transit

Interest of ultra-cool stars



Probability of transit of an Earth-size planet at $T_{\text{eff}}=255\text{K}$

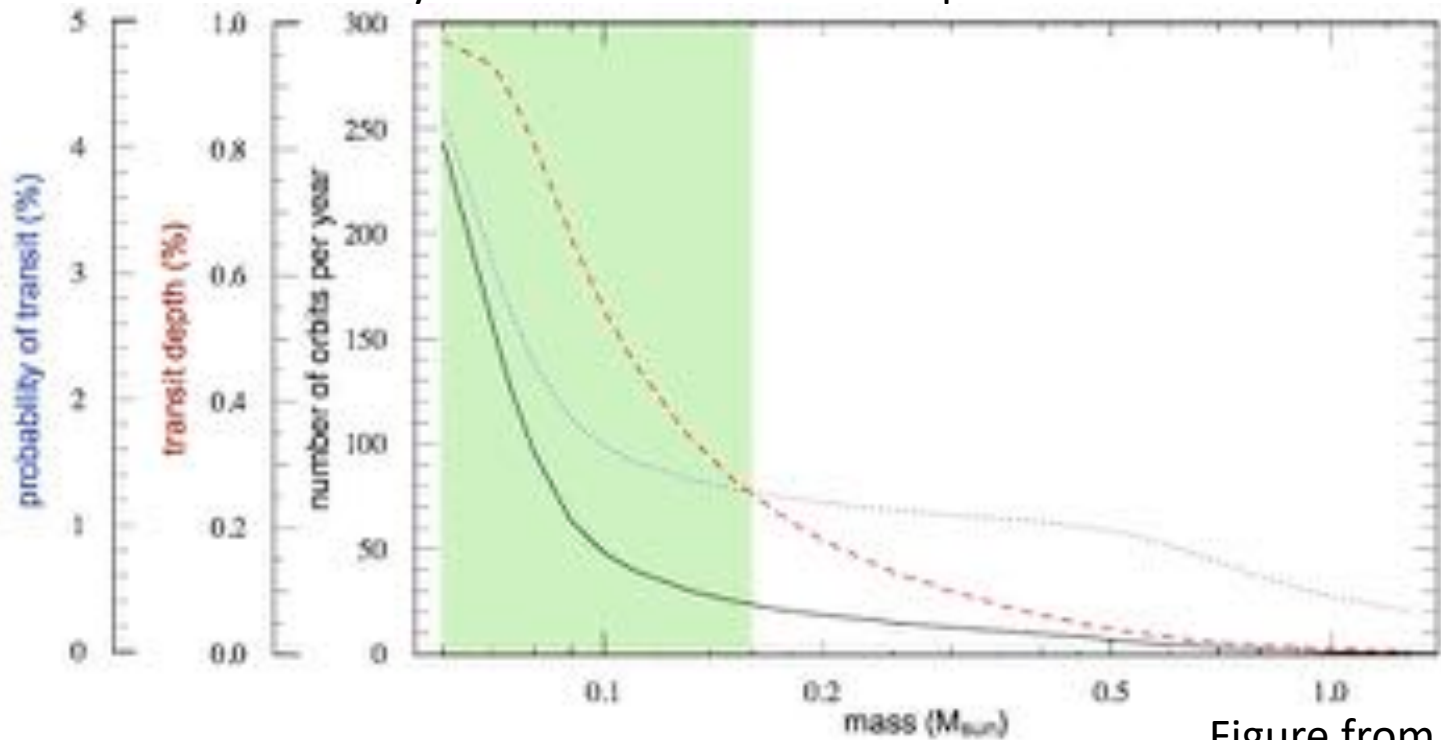
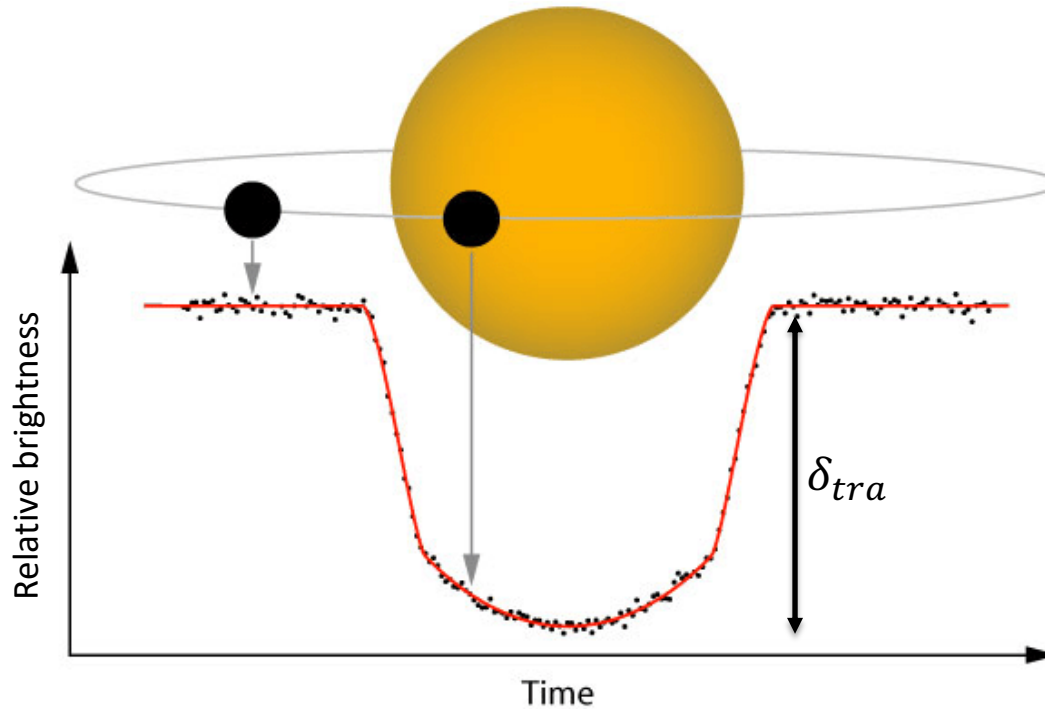


Figure from A. Triaud

I) Transit

Photometry



Transit depth:

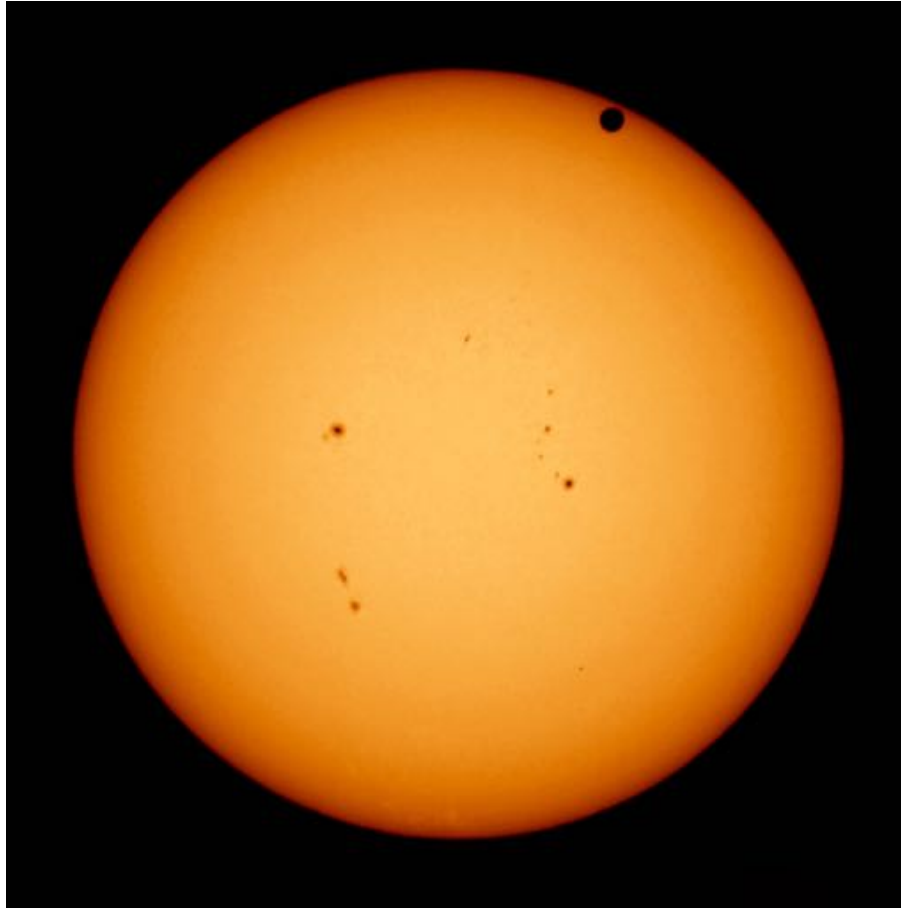
$$\delta_{tra} = \left(\frac{R_p}{R_\star}\right)^2$$

Occultation depth:

$$\delta_{occ} = \frac{I_p}{I_\star} \left(\frac{R_p}{R_\star}\right)^2$$

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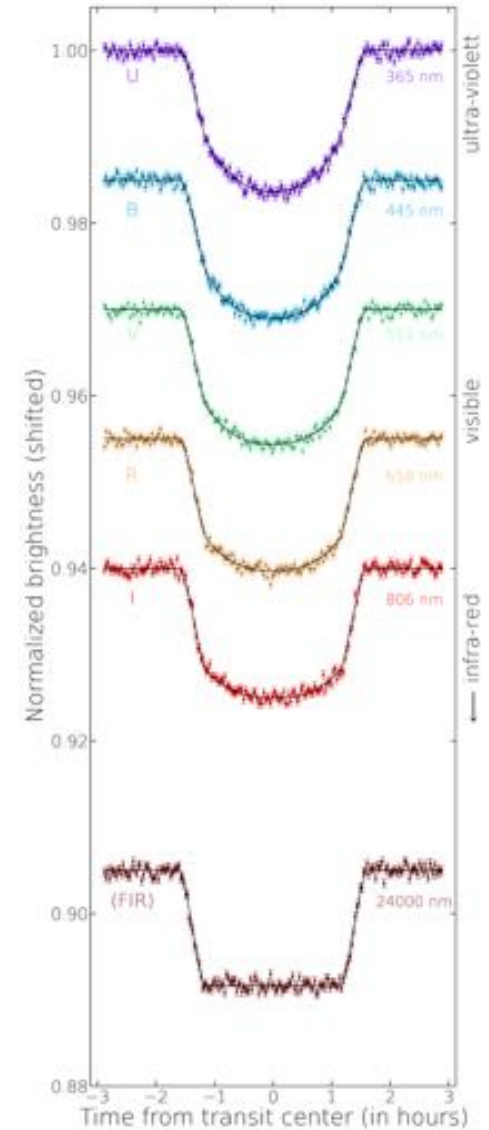
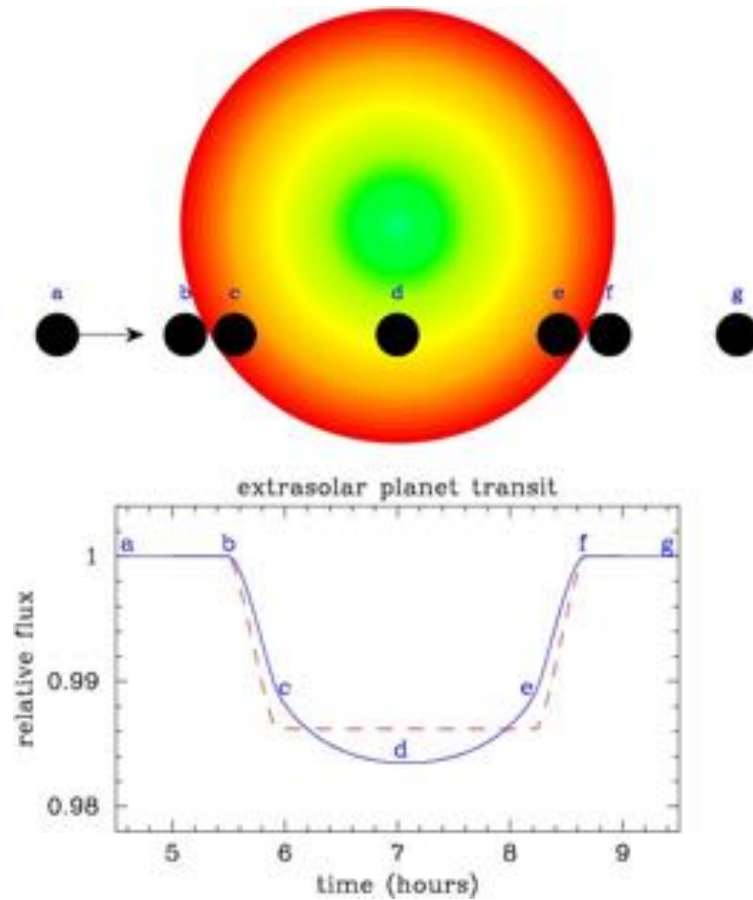
Effect of limb darkening



Transit of Venus

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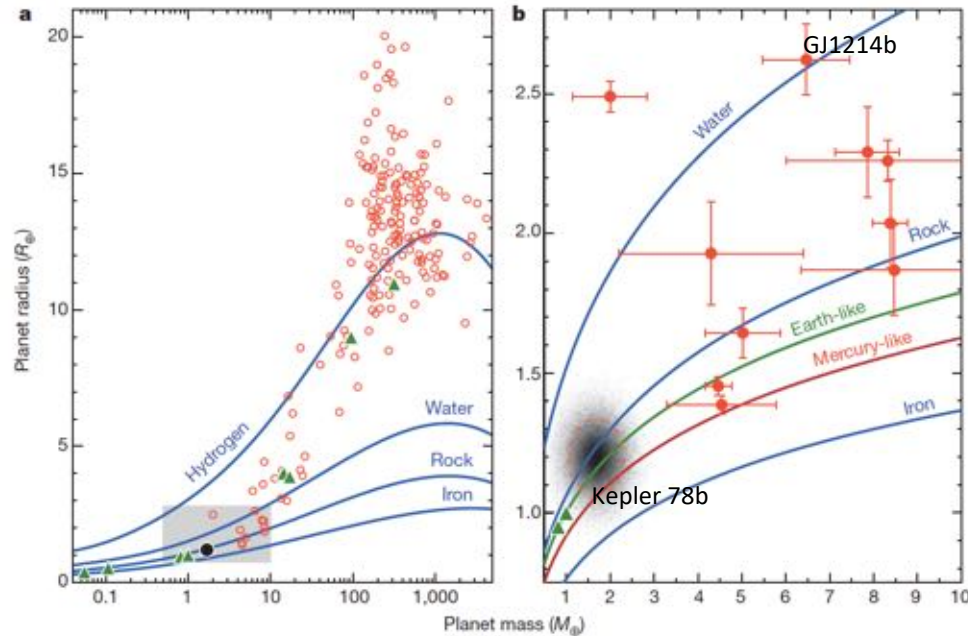
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Atmospheric characterization with photometric transit lightcurves

- Measure of radius and density

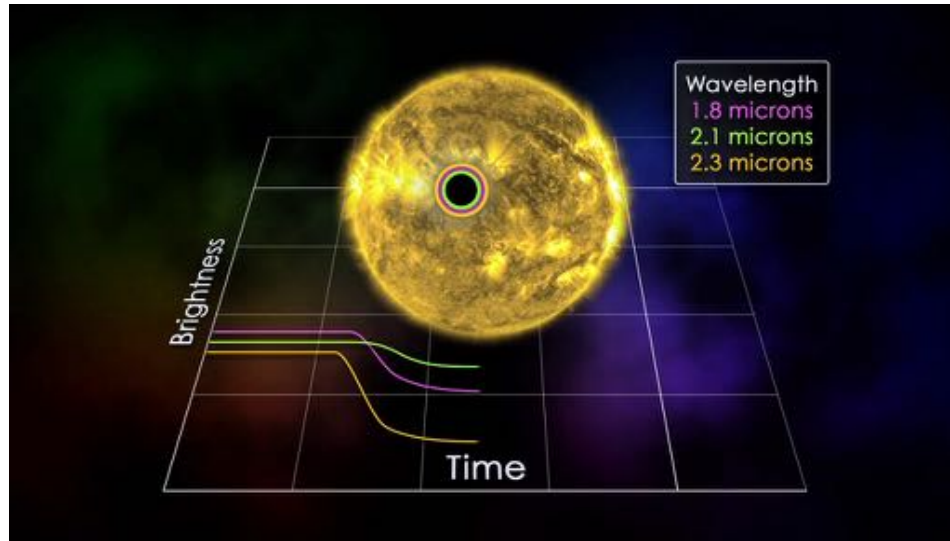


Howard et al. (2013)

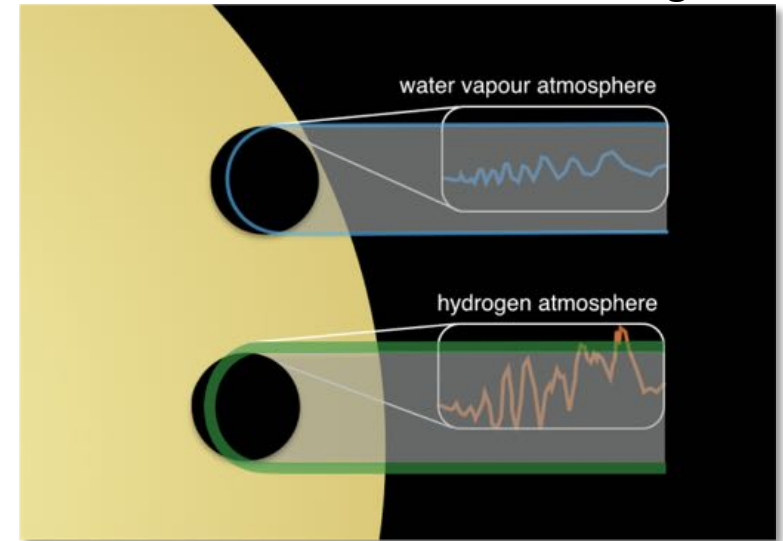
- Measure of thermal emission and reflected light during occultations
→ effective temperature and geometric albedo

I) Transit

Spectroscopy



Effect of mean molecular weight



Variation of transit depth:

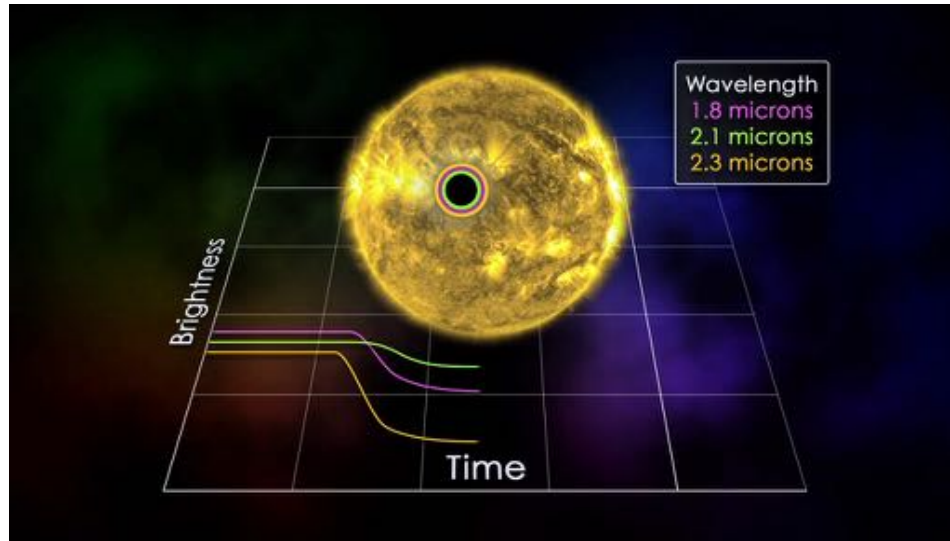
$$\Delta\delta_{tra} = \frac{\pi(R_p + N_H H)^2}{\pi R_\star^2} - \frac{\pi R_p^2}{\pi R_\star^2} \approx 2N_H \delta_{tra} \left(\frac{H}{R_p} \right)$$

Scale height: $H = \frac{RT}{Mg}$; Number of scale heights: $N_H \approx 7$ (for low resolution)

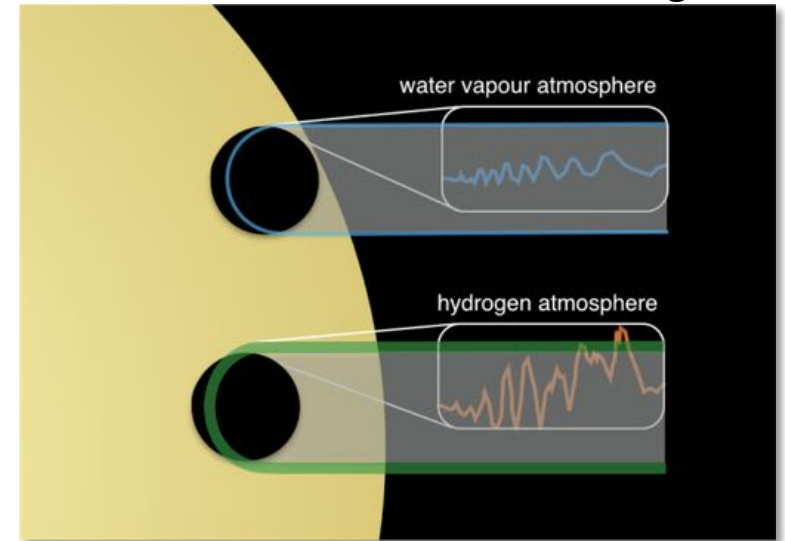
→ Transit spectroscopy easier for high scale height (e.g. hot giant planets)

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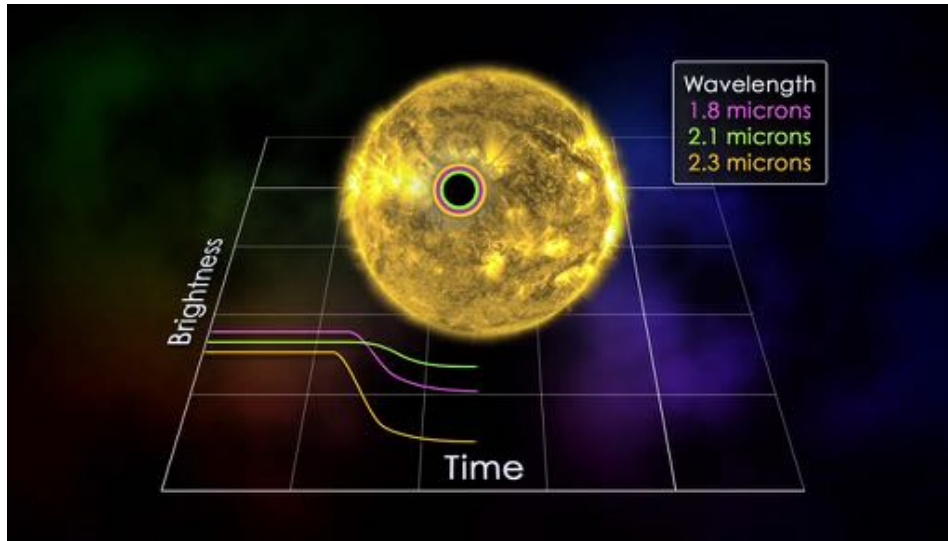
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For an Sun-like star:

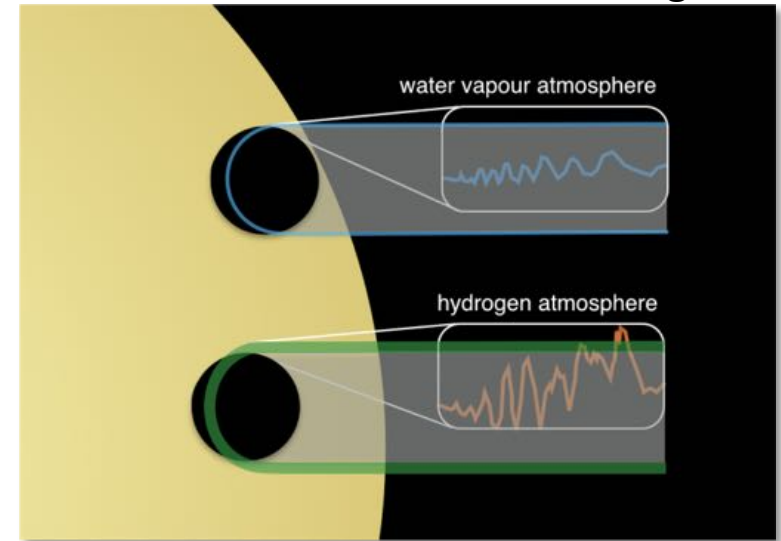
- Hot Jupiter ($T=1300$ K, $g=25$ m s⁻², $M=2.3$ g/mol): $\delta_{tra} \approx 0.01$, $\Delta\delta_{tra} \approx 4 \cdot 10^{-4}$
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I) Transit

Spectroscopy

Assumptions: hydrostatic+isothermal

$$p(z) = p(z_0) \exp\left(-\frac{z-z_0}{H}\right) \text{ with } H = \frac{RT}{Mg}$$

Optical depth (cross-section independent of P & T):

$$\tau(b, \lambda) = \sum_i \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \sigma_i(\lambda) n_i(x) dx$$

$$n_i(x) = n_{i0} e^{-z/H} \text{ with } z = \sqrt{b^2 + x^2} - R_p \approx b - R_p + \frac{x^2}{2b}$$

$$\tau(b, \lambda) \approx \sum_i \sigma_i(\lambda) n_{i0} e^{-(b-R_p)/H} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-x^2/2R_p H} dx = \sum_i \sigma_i(\lambda) n_{i0} e^{-(b-R_p)/H} \sqrt{2\pi b H}$$

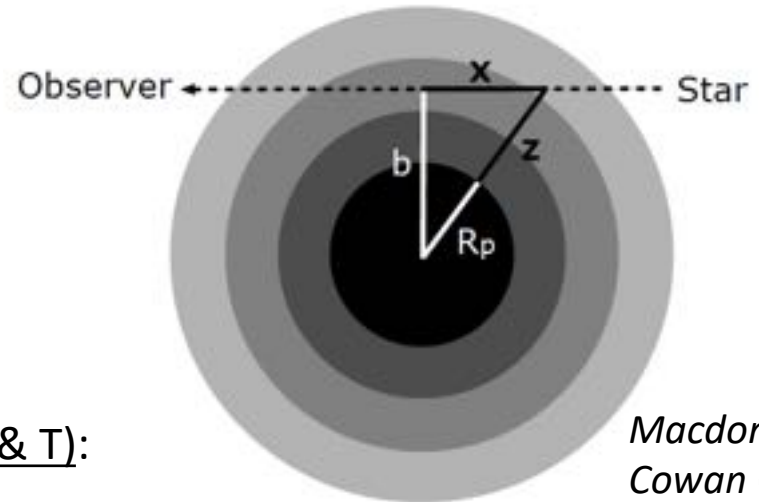
Comparison with vertical optical depth:

$$\eta = \frac{\tau_H}{\tau_V} = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi R_p}{H}}$$

Earth: $\eta \sim 75$

Jupiter: $\eta \sim 128$

HD209458b: $\eta \sim 38$



Macdonald &
Cowan (2019)

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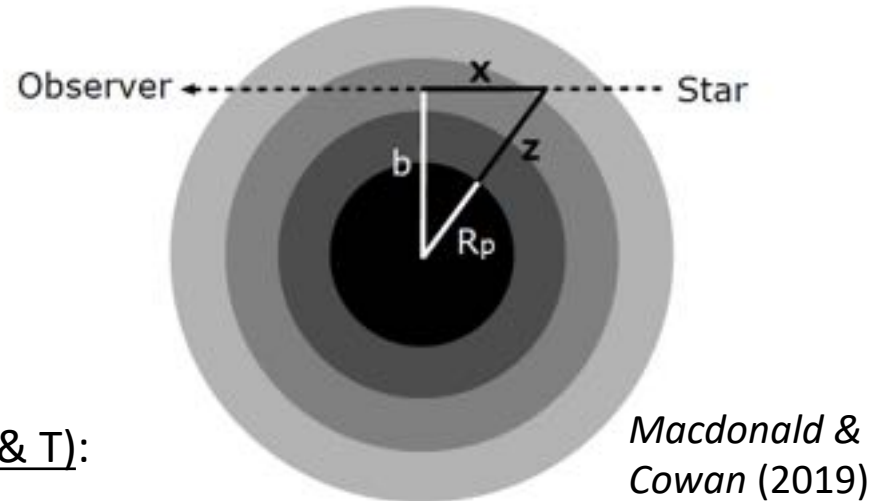
$$D(\lambda) = \left(\frac{R_p}{R_\star}\right)^2 + \frac{2}{R_\star^2} \int_{R_p}^{R_\star} b(1 - e^{-\tau(b,\lambda)}) db = \left(\frac{R_p + h_\lambda}{R_\star}\right)^2$$

Equivalent altitude:

$$h_\lambda = -R_p + \sqrt{R_p^2 + 2 \int_{R_p}^{R_\star} b(1 - e^{-\tau(b,\lambda)}) db} \approx 0.577H + H \ln \left(\sqrt{2\pi H R_p} \sum_i \sigma_i(\lambda) n_{i0} \right)$$

$$h_\lambda \approx \mathbf{b(\tau = 0.56) - R_p}$$

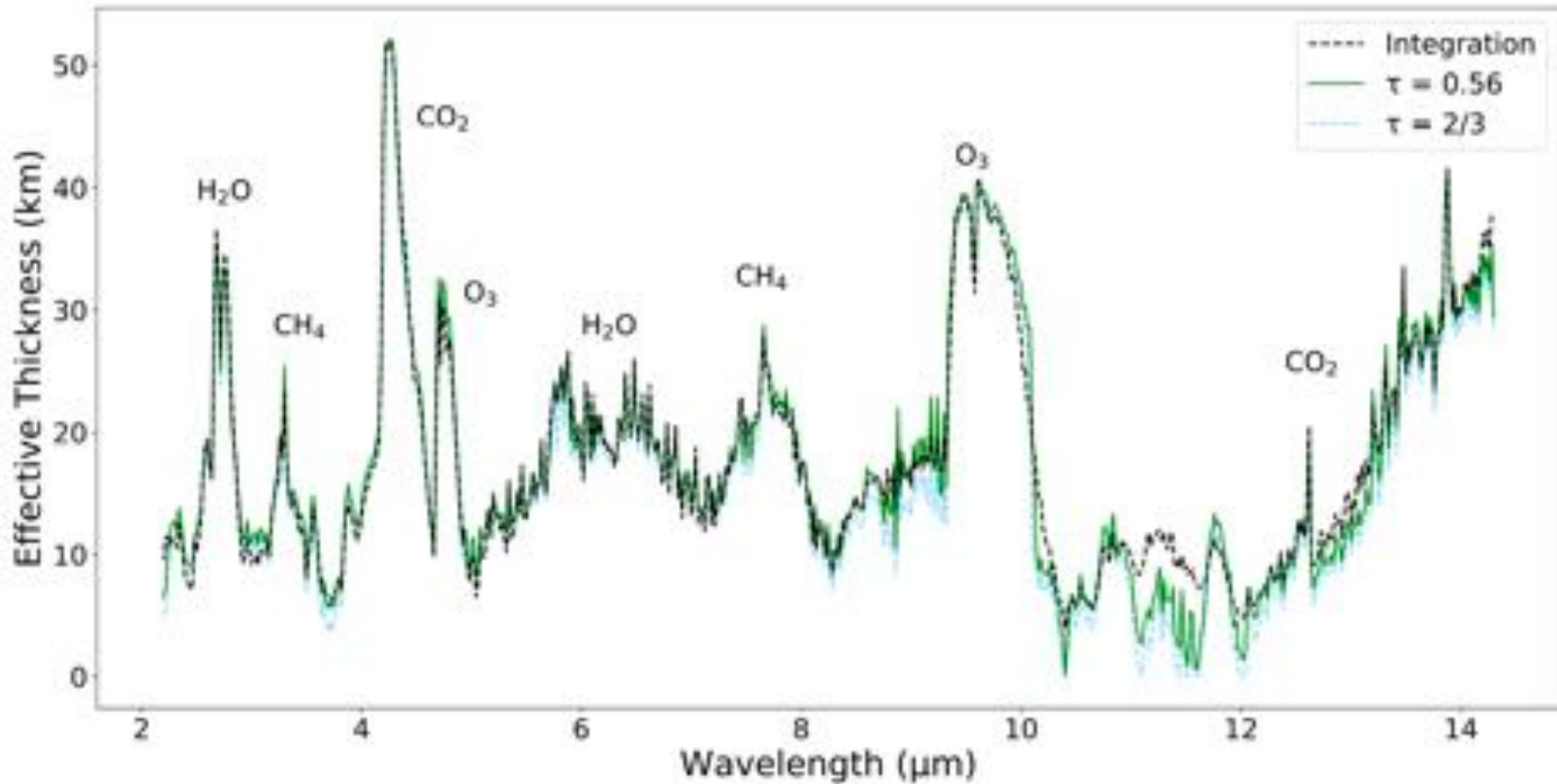
see *De Wit & Seager (2013)* and *Macdonald & Cowan (2019)*



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Spectroscopy

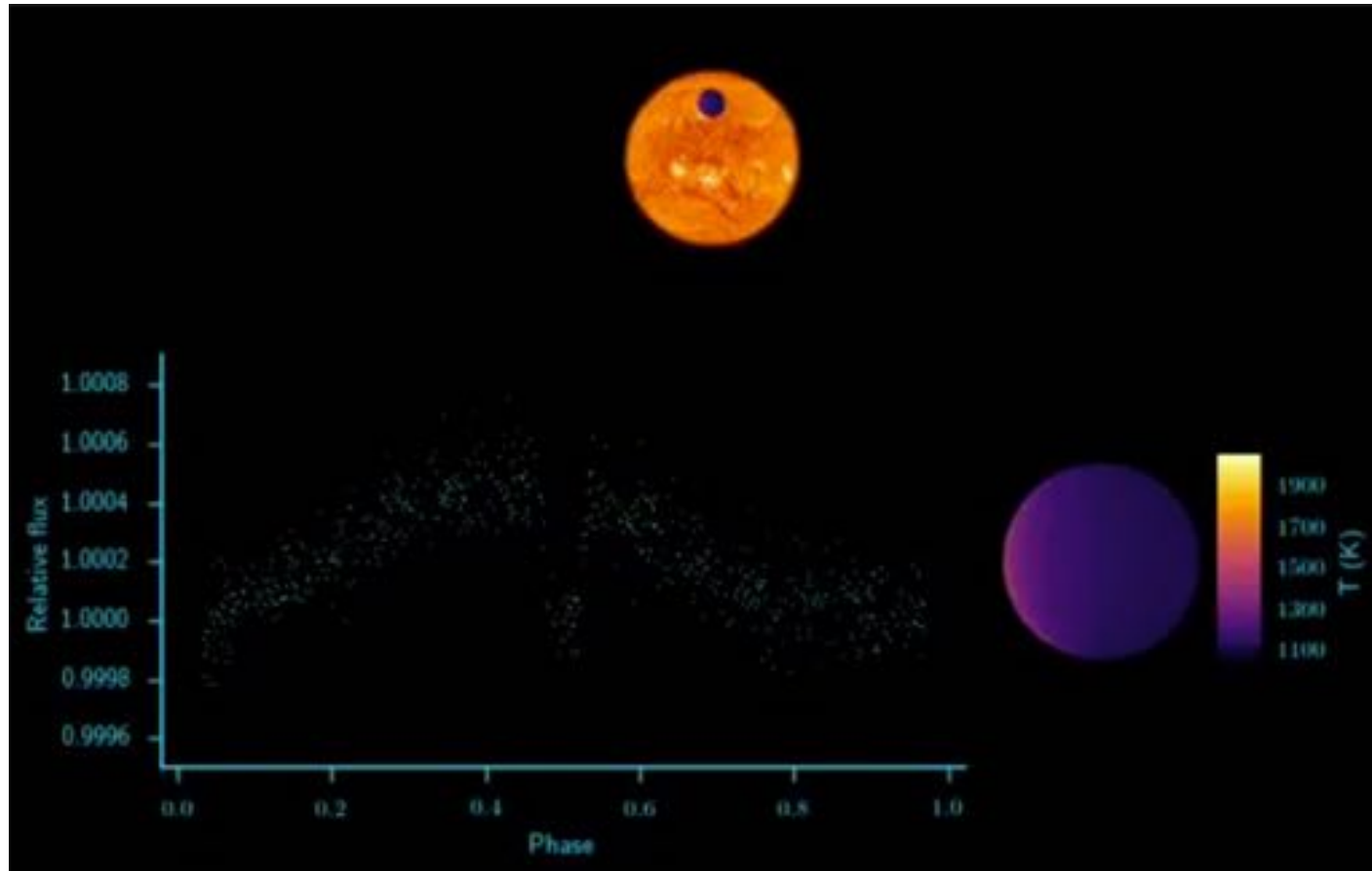
Synthetic Earth's transit spectrum



Macdonald & Cowan (2019)

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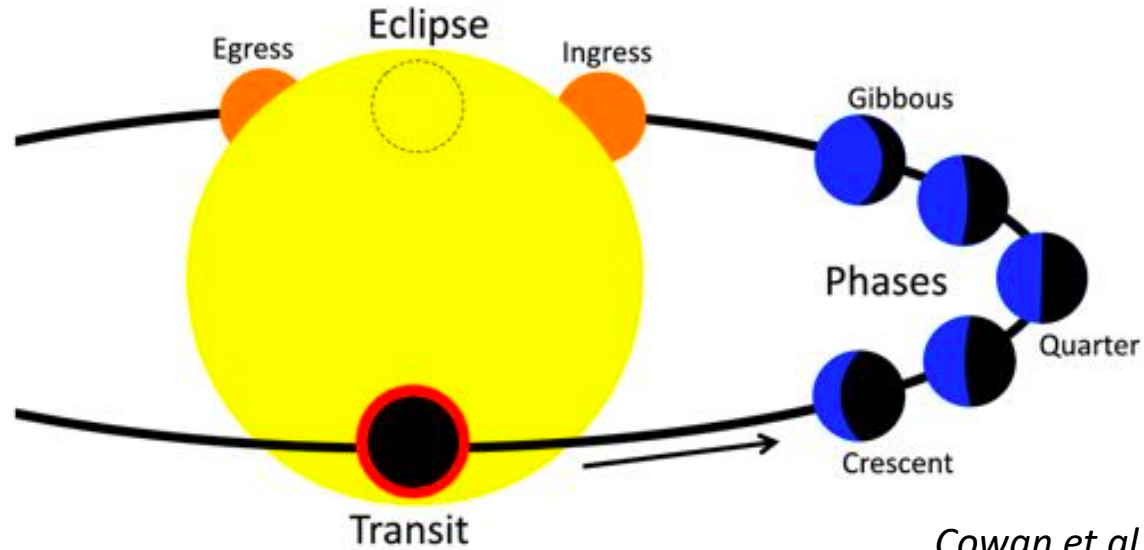
Phase curves



Courtesy Tom Loudon

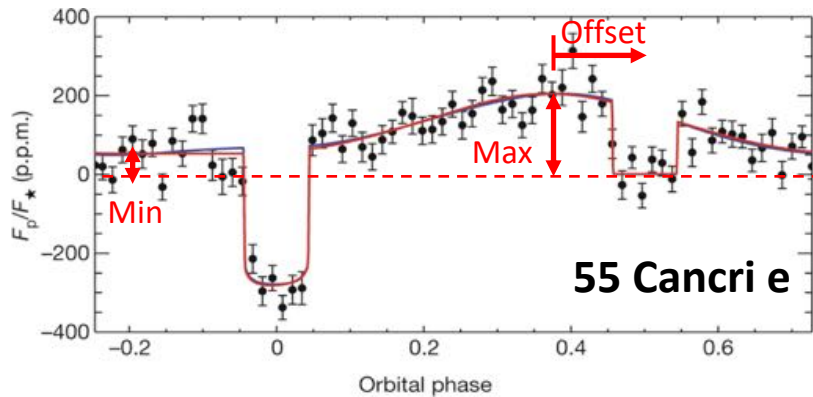
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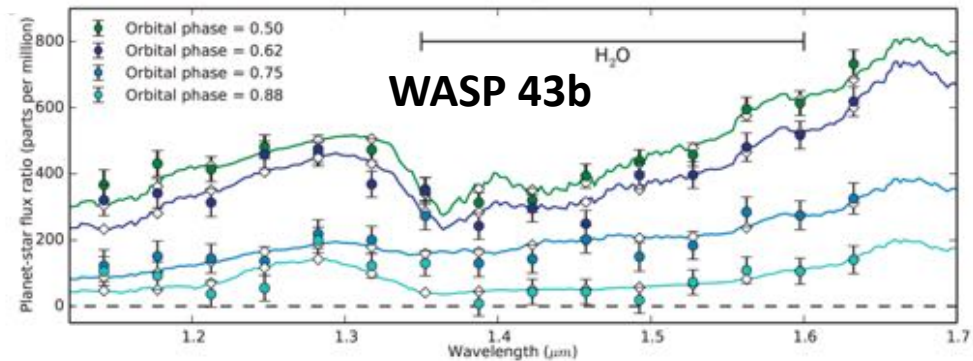
Cowan et al. (2014)

Photometric phase curve (ex: Spitzer)



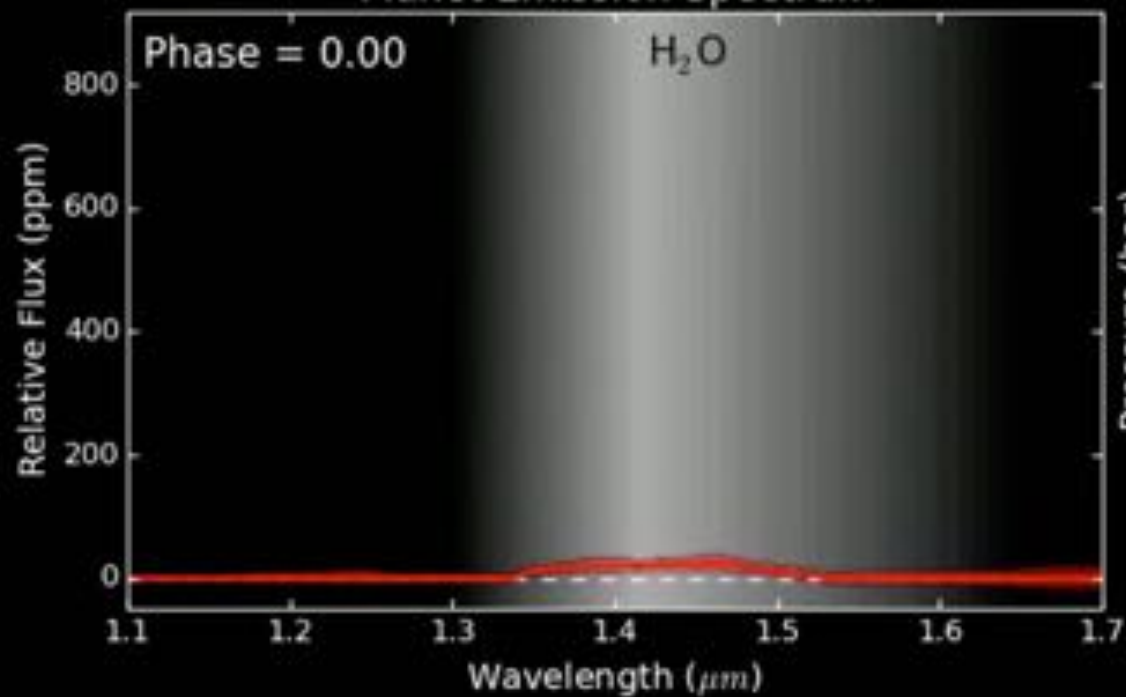
Demory et al. (2016)

Spectrally resolved phase curve (ex: HST)

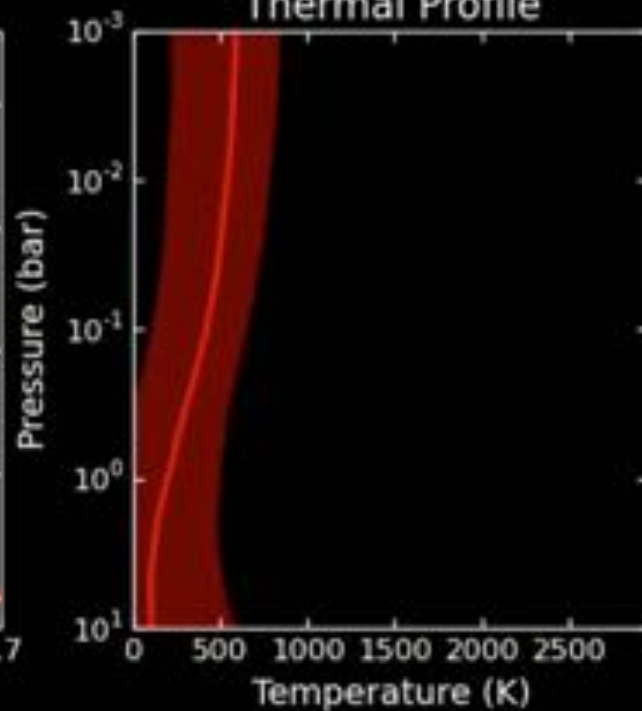


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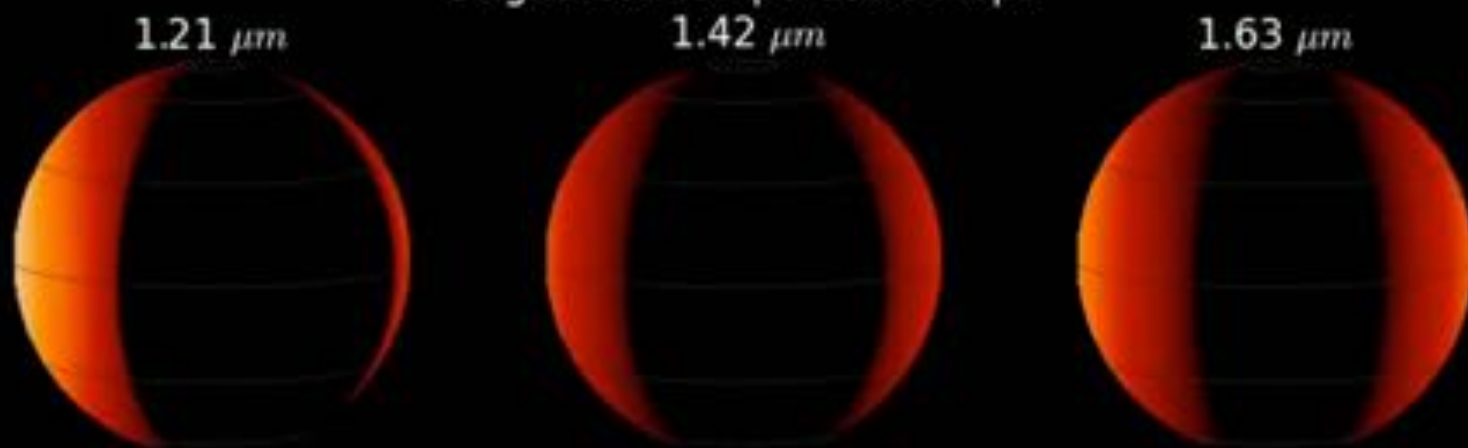
Planet Emission Spectrum



Thermal Profile

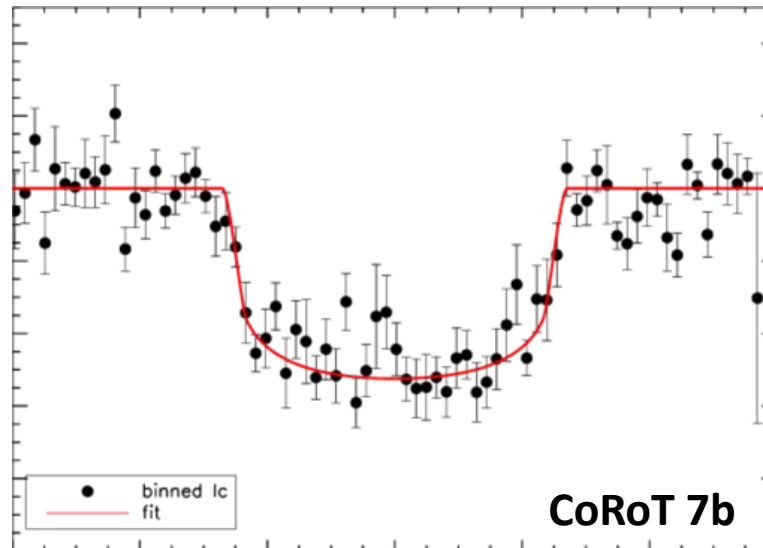


Brightness Temperature Maps



I) Transit

Open-access codes for lightcurve fitting



For transits:

Transit routines (IDL, FORTRAN): <https://faculty.washington.edu/agol/transit.html>

batman (Python): <https://www.cfa.harvard.edu/~lkreidberg/code.html>

STARRY (Python): <https://github.com/rodluger/starry>

ExoCTK (Python): https://exoctk.stsci.edu/lightcurve_fitting

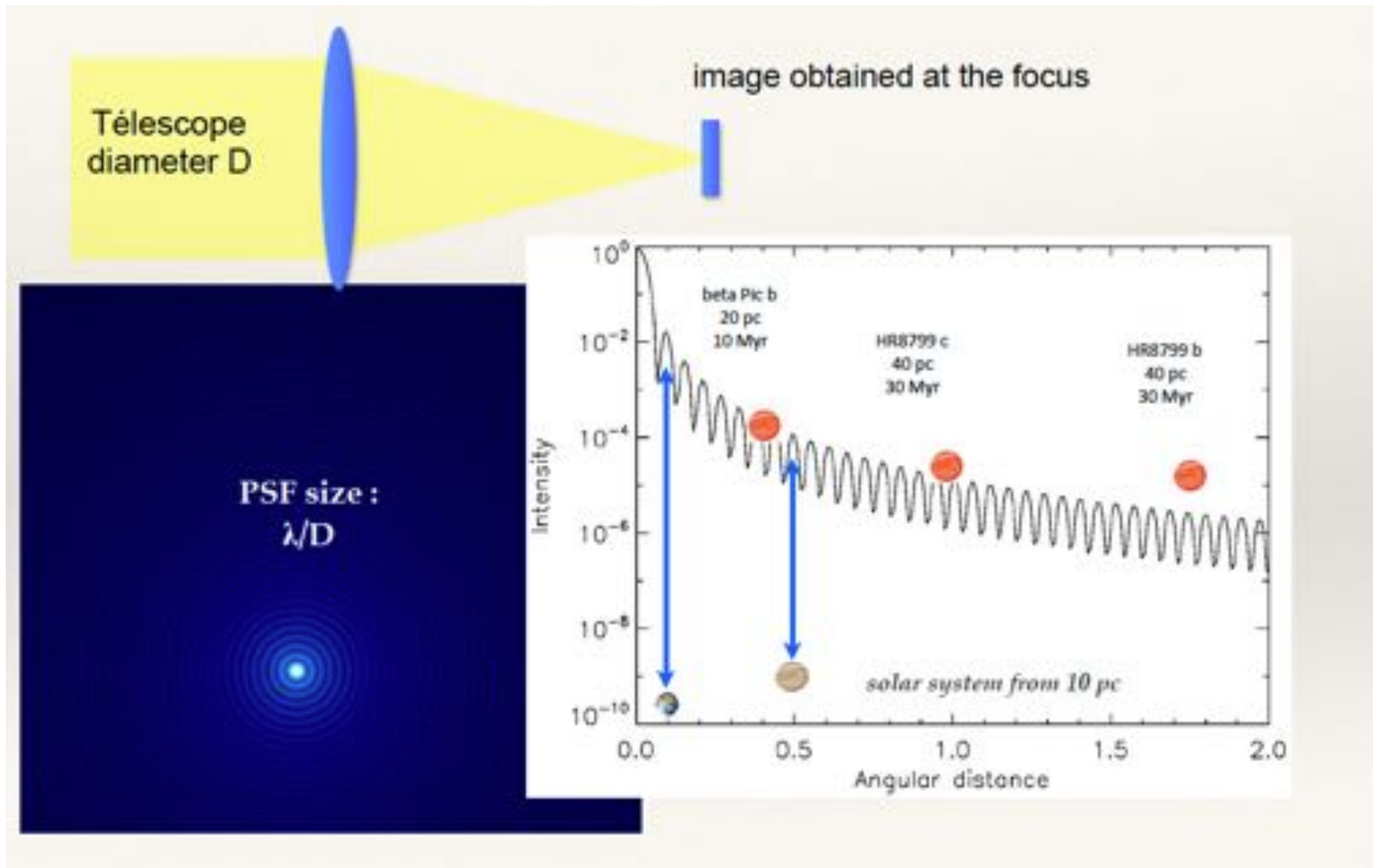
For secondary eclipses & phase curves:

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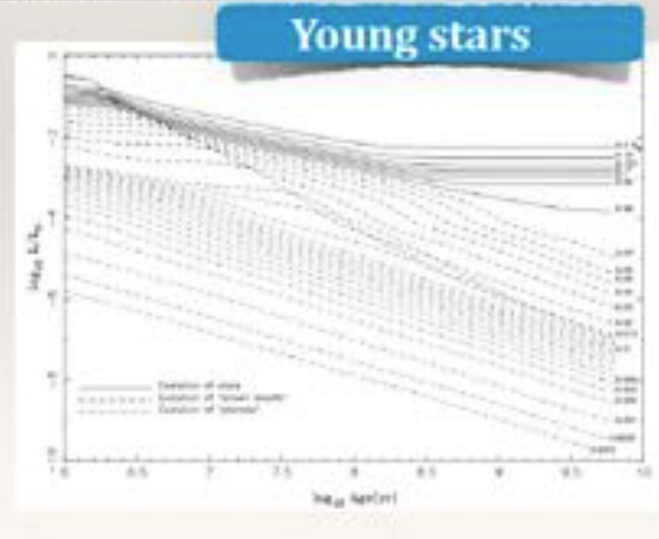
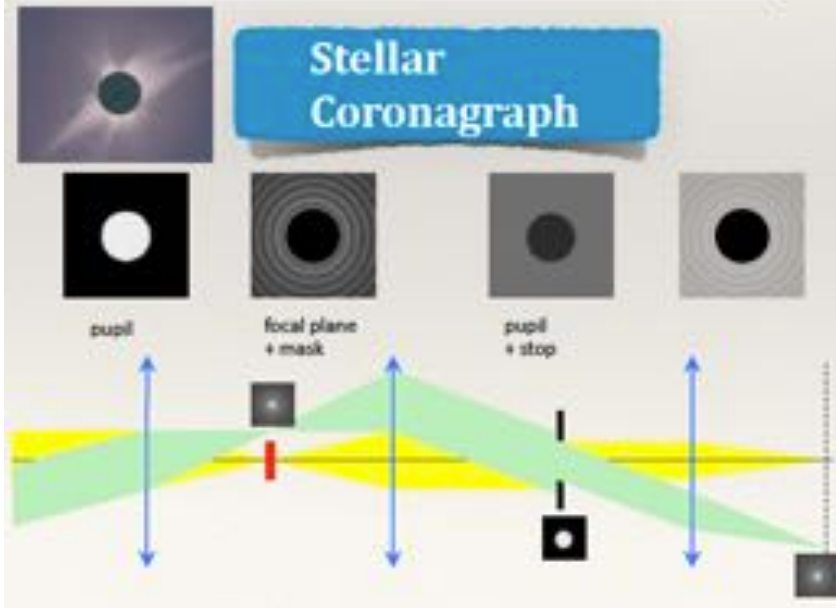
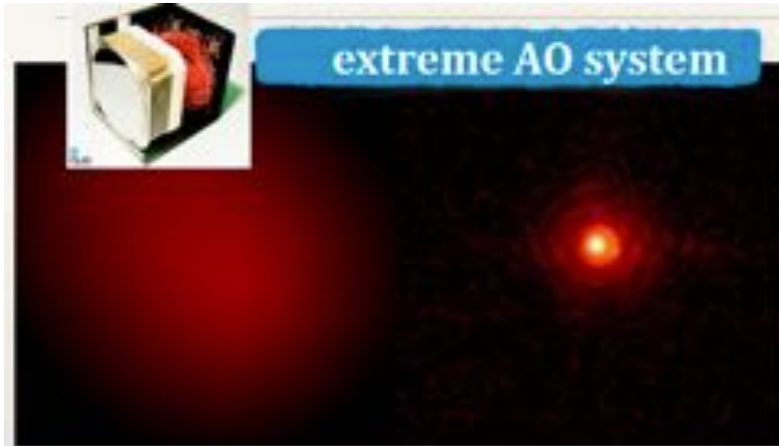
II) Direct imaging

Limitations



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Ingredients to overcome limitations



III) Medium/high spectral resolution

❑ **Low resolution:** $R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta\lambda} < 1000$ (e.g. HST, ARIEL)

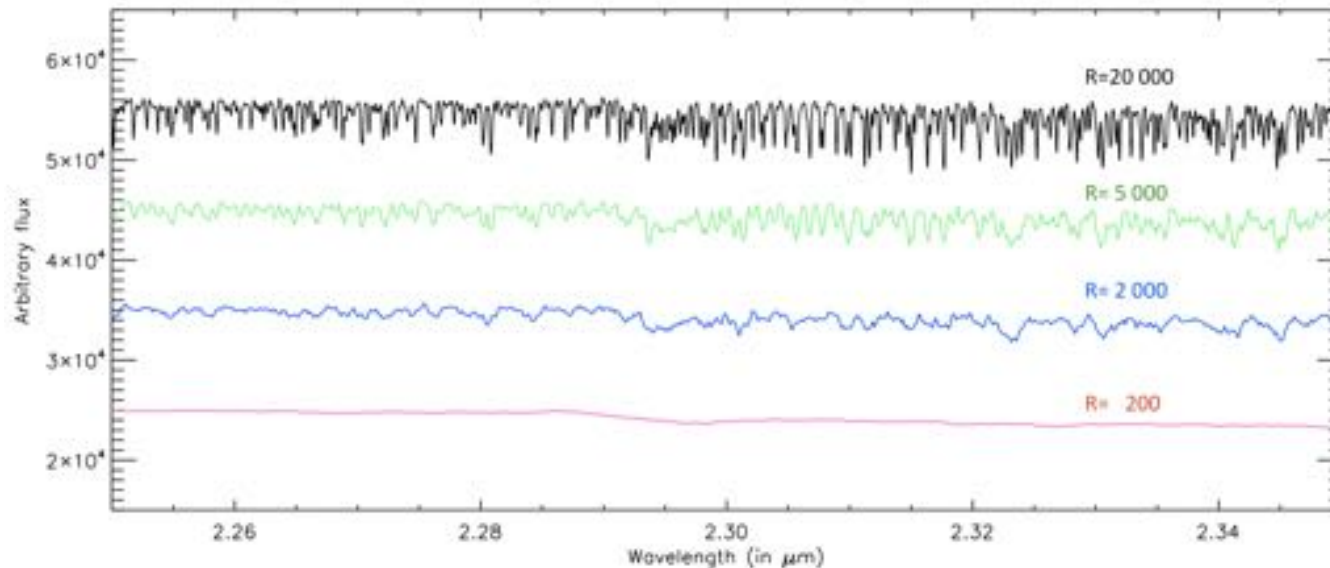
→ absorption bands

❑ **Medium resolution:** $R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta\lambda} \sim 1000 - 10000$ (e.g. JWST, VLT/SINFONI)

→ strong molecular lines

❑ **High resolution:** $R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta\lambda} > 10000$ (e.g. VLT/CRIRES, VLT/ESPRESSO)

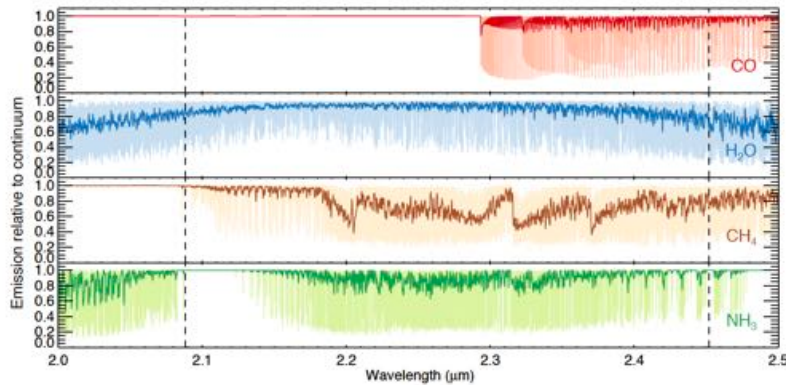
→ resolve line shape and doppler shift



III) Medium/high spectral resolution

Medium resolution for direct imaging

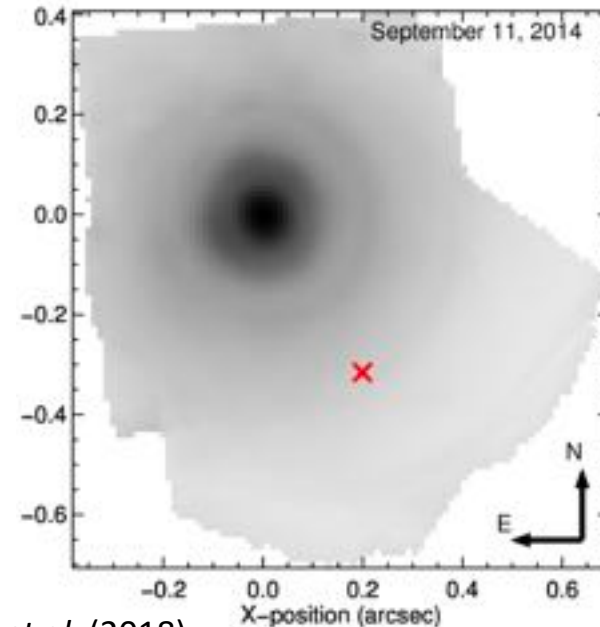
- Distinguish planetary signal from stellar noise (speckles) thanks to intrinsic molecular lines
- Cross-correlation between the high-passing observed spectrum S_{obs} and a model spectrum S_{th}



$$CCF(V_0) = \int S_{obs}(\nu) \times S_{th}(\nu + \nu \times V_0/c) d\nu$$

with normalization: $\int S^2(\nu) d\nu = 1$

Wavelength-averaged image of beta Pic b with VLT-SINFONI



Hoeijmakers et al. (2018)

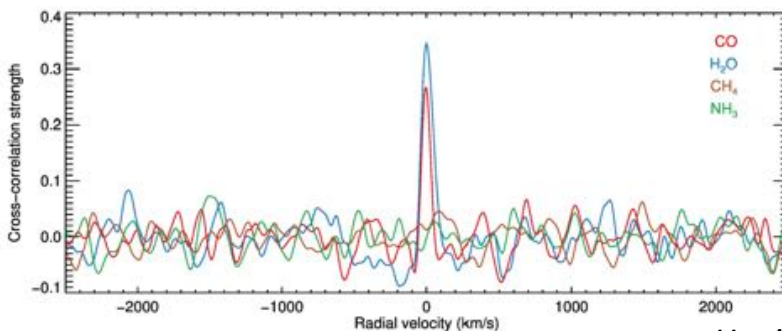
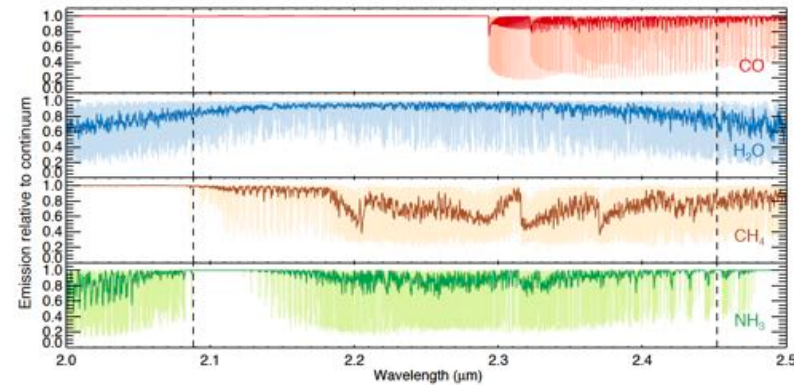
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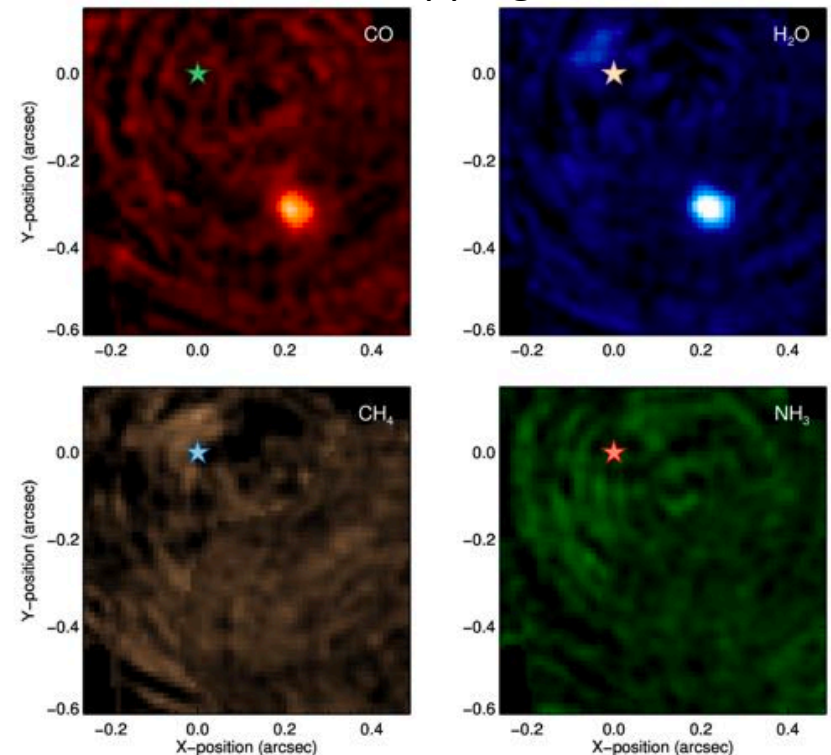
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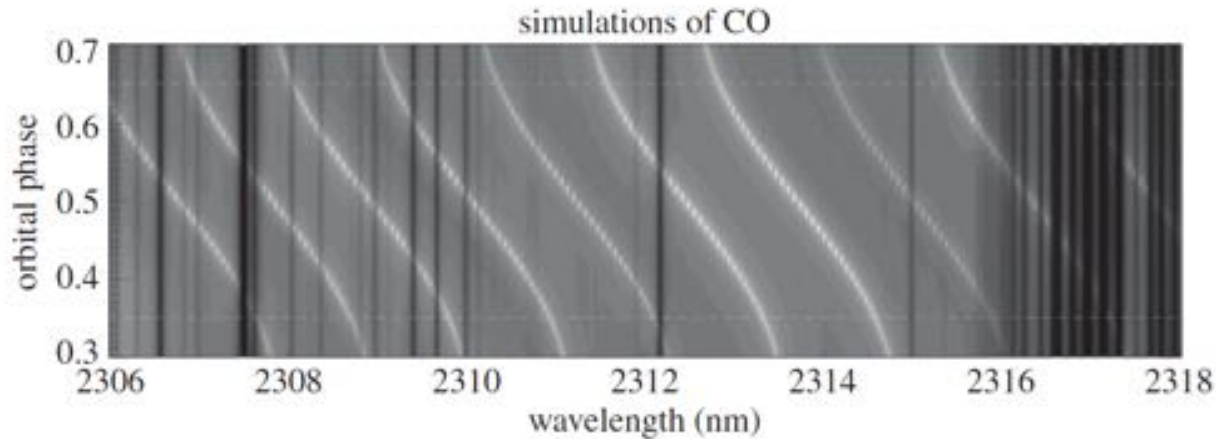


Molecular mapping of beta Pic b



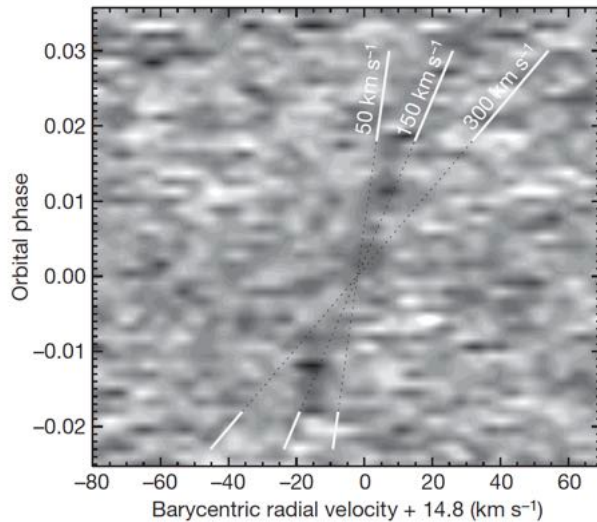
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High resolution for transit spectroscopy



Snellen (2014)

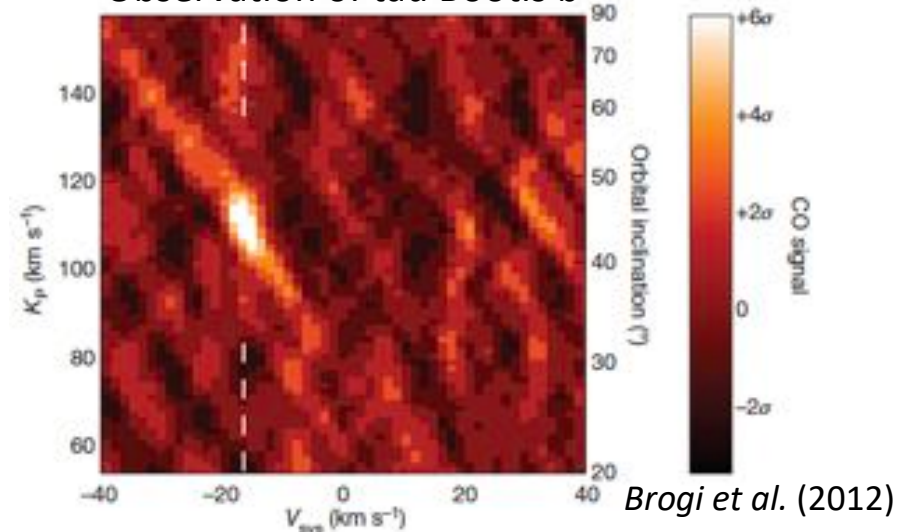
Observation of HD209458 b



Snellen et al. (2010)

- Detection of CO during transit
- Doppler shift by orbital velocity
- Doppler shift by day-night winds

Observation of tau Bötis b



Brogi et al. (2012)

- Detection of CO in emission
- Stratospheric thermal inversion

Lessons from observations of exoplanet atmospheres

➤ Radius & Interior

- Hot Jupiters are inflated
- Gap in the occurrence rate between super-Earths and mini-Neptunes

➤ Dynamics & Thermal structure

- Superrotation for strongly irradiated planets
- Stratospheric thermal inversion for the hottest planets

➤ Clouds/haze

- Most of exoplanets are cloudy/hazy
- Inhomogeneous clouds distribution

➤ Atmospheric composition

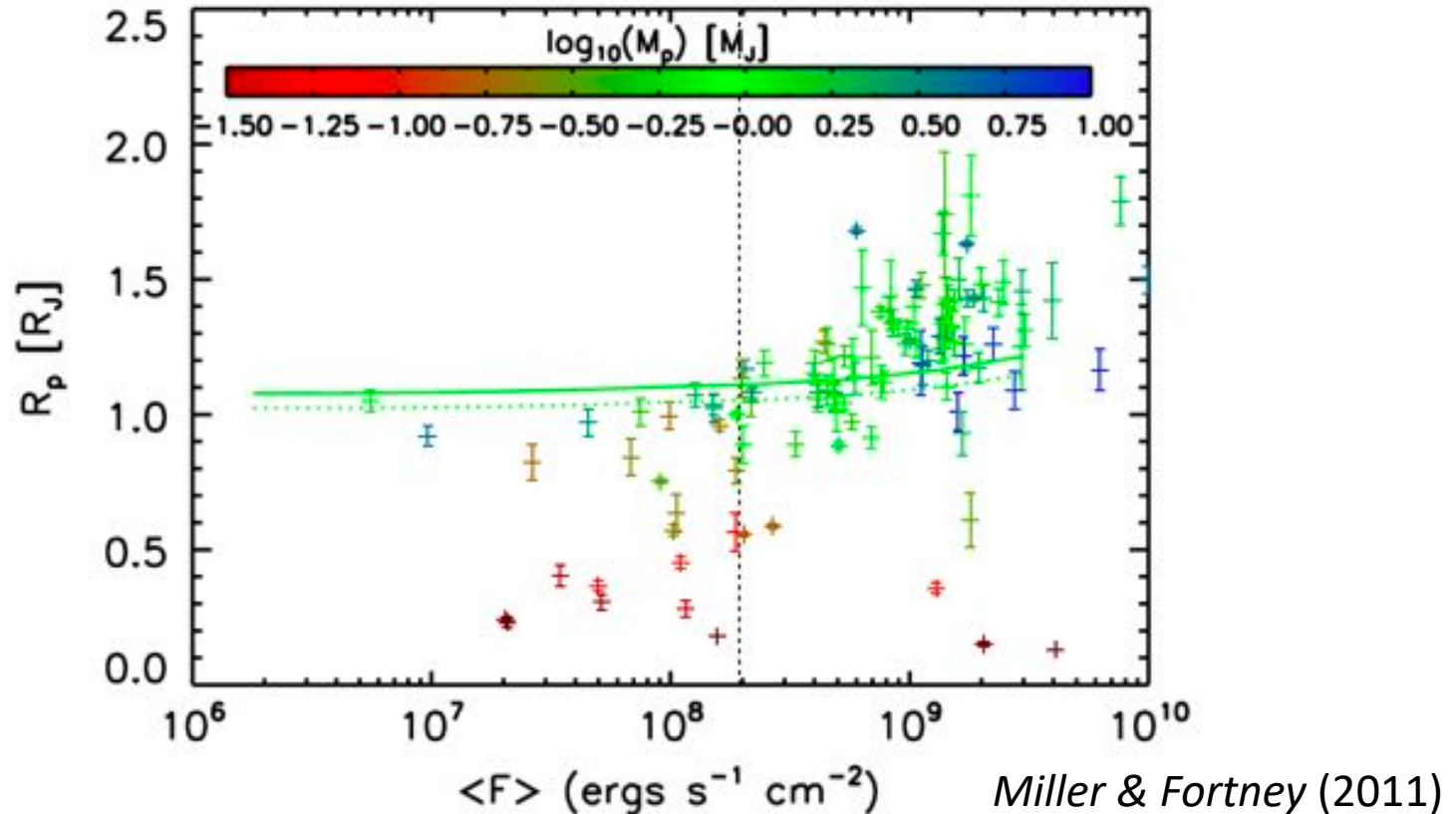
- Chemical disequilibrium (ex: CO/CH₄)
- Low-mass planets seem to have high-mean molecular weight

➤ Atmospheric escape

- Atmospheric escape for strongly irradiated planets

IV) Lessons from observations

Inflated hot Jupiters



- Hot Jupiters are inflated compared to 1D models
- Correlation between inflated radii and stellar flux

IV) Lessons from observations

Inflated hot Jupiters

Explanations for inflated hot Jupiters:

➔ Heat transfer to the adiabatic layer
($10^{-4}\%$ - 1% of the irradiation)

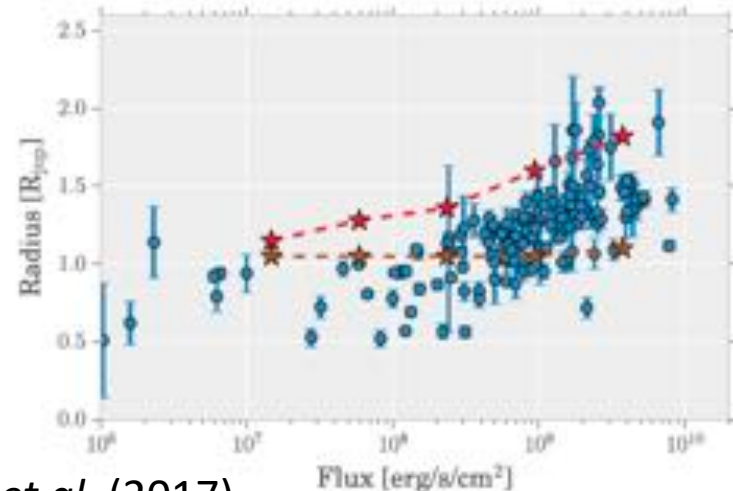
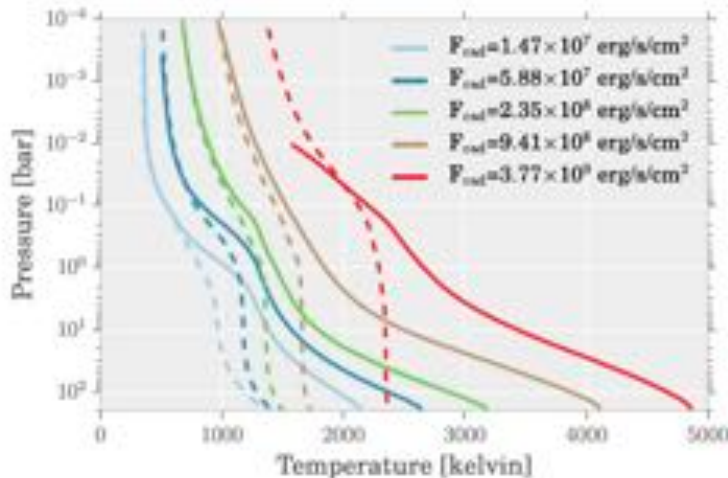
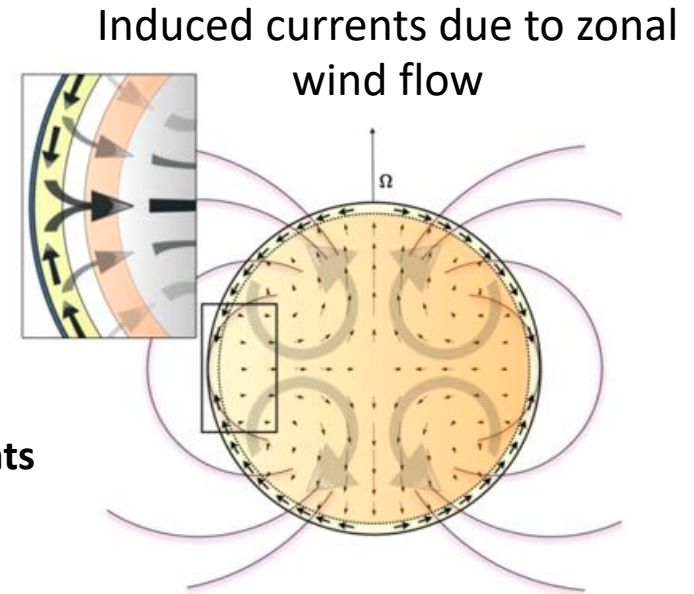
1) Ohmic dissipation

Batygin & Stevenson (2010)

Superrotation + magnetic field + ionization of H and alkali metals in hot Jupiters → **Induced currents**

Heat production: $P = \frac{J^2}{\sigma}$

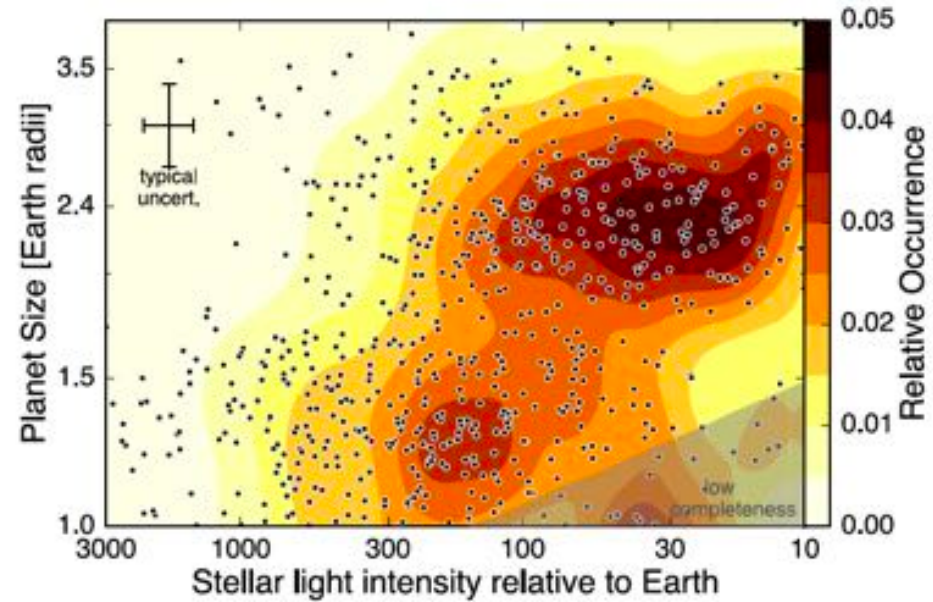
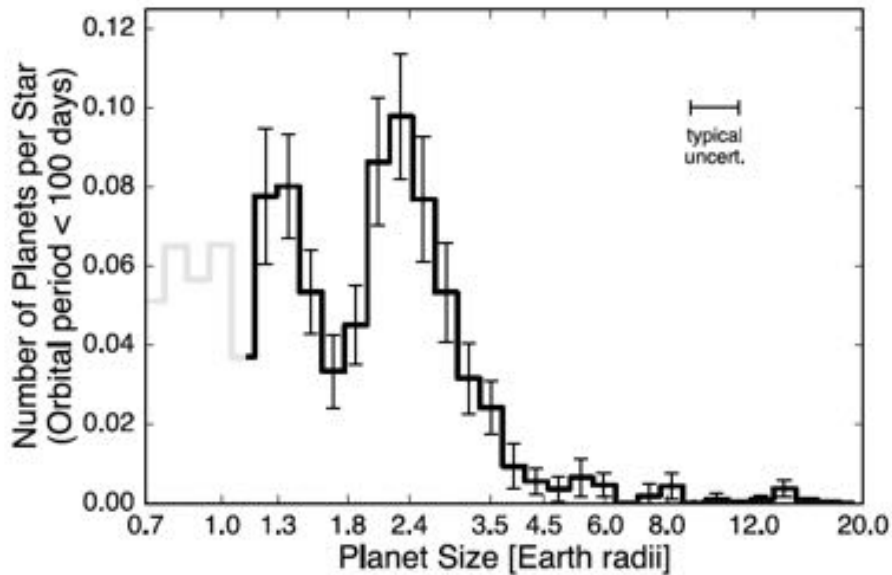
2) Advection of heat from global circulation



Tremblin et al. (2017)

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A valley between super-Earths and mini-Neptunes



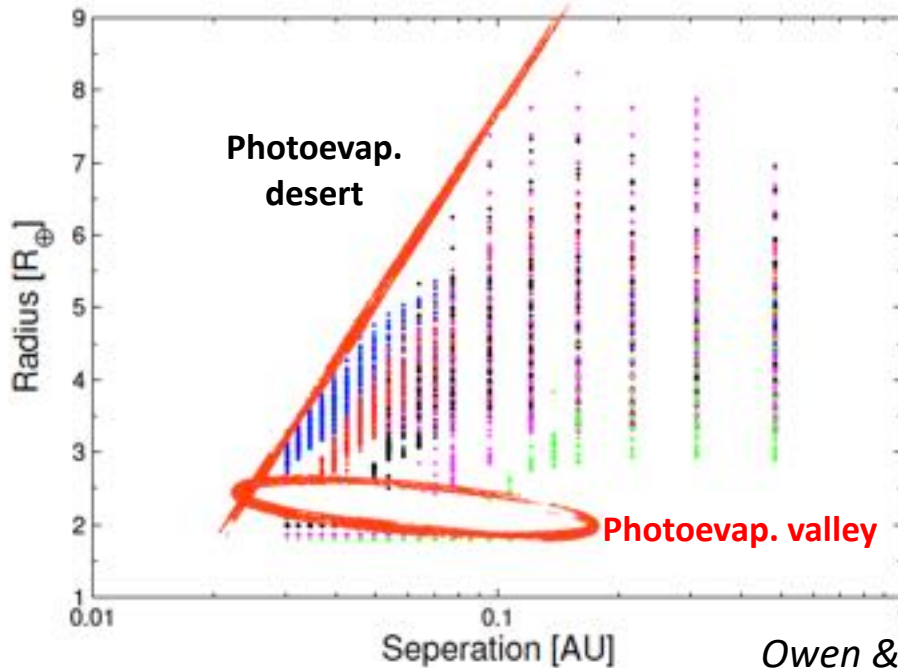
Fulton et al. (2018)

- Bimodal distribution with a gap at around $1.8 R_E$
- Transition from mini-Neptunes to super-Earths with increasing instellation
→ Photoevaporation

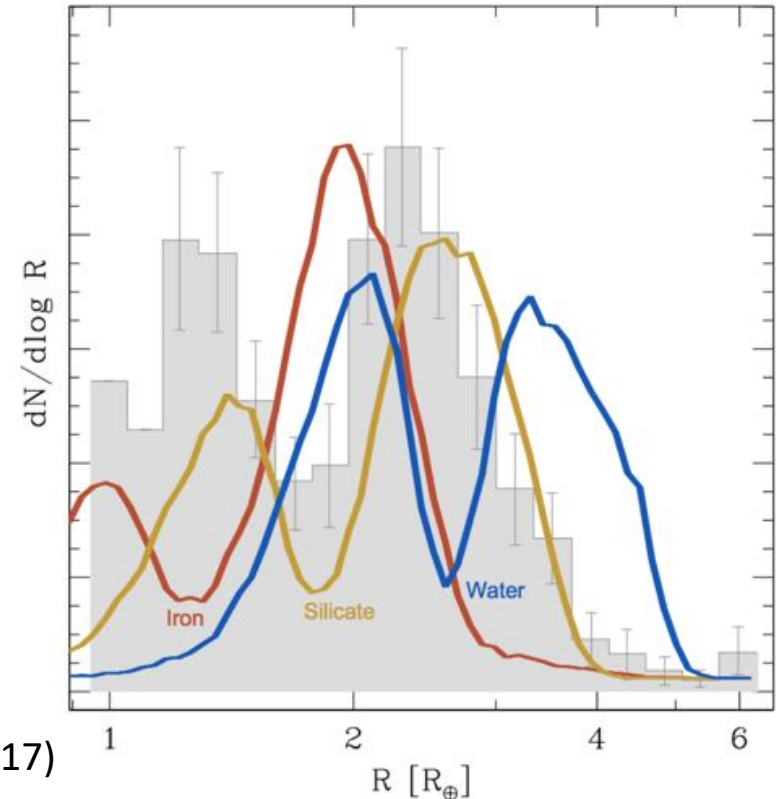
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Prediction of a photo-evaporation valley



Owen & Wu (2017)



Photoevaporation can predict the 2 peaks.
The location of the valley is very sensitive to the core composition → **cores seem to be Earth-like in composition.**

(Owen & Wu 2017; Jin & Mordasini 2017)

If correct:

No water → formation inside the ice line

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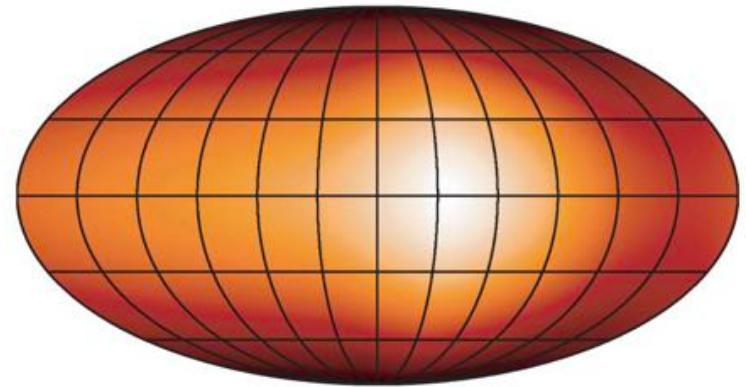
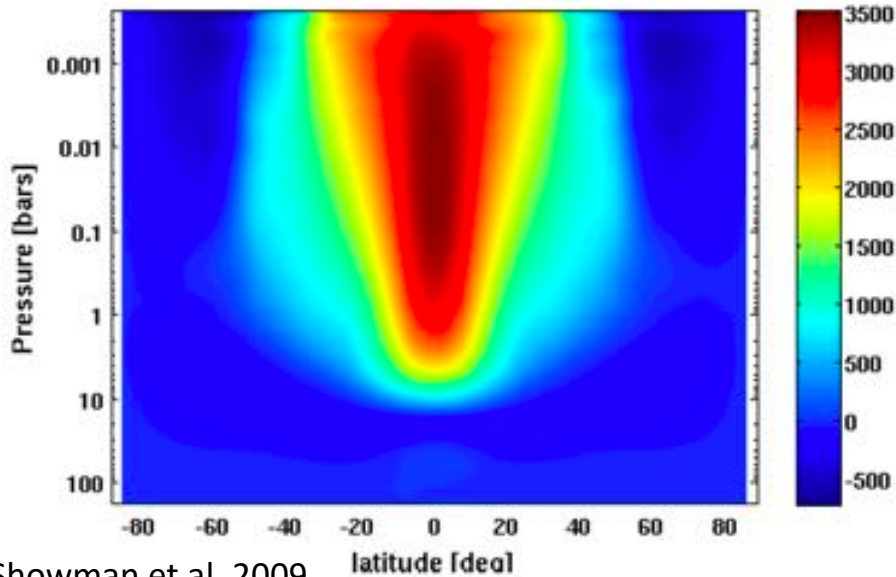
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Superrotation for strongly irradiated planets

Zonal-mean zonal winds for HD189733b



Thermal phase curve and temperature map of HD189733b (Knutson et al. 2007)

- Presence of an eastward super-rotating equatorial jet
- Maximum of temperature shifted east to the substellar point

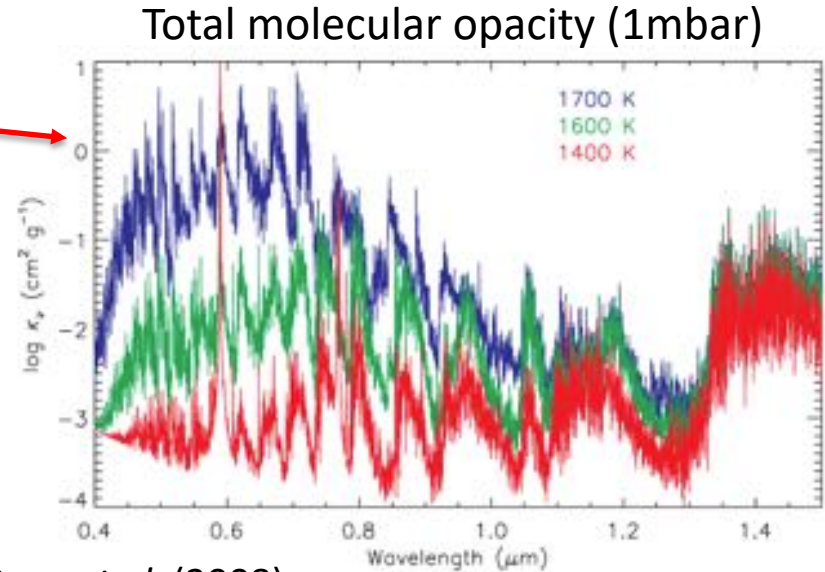
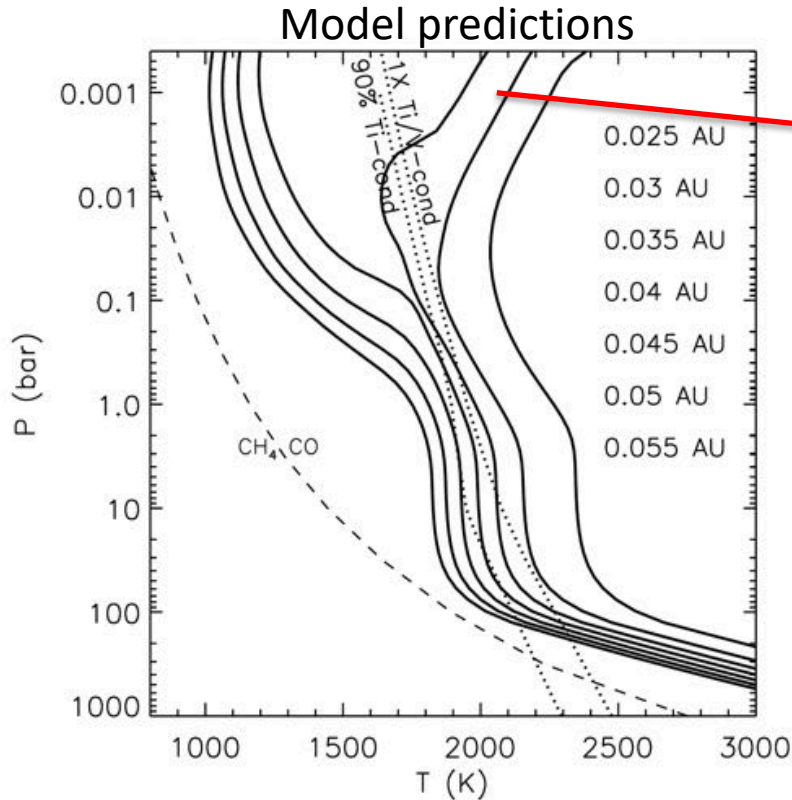
Phase offset due to competition between the radiative cooling and the speed of the equatorial jet.

$$\tau_{rad} = \frac{c_p P}{g \sigma T^3}$$

$$\tau_{adv} = \frac{2\pi R}{U}$$

IV) Lessons from observations

Stratospheric thermal inversion for hot planets



Fortney et al. (2008)

Predictions: Stratospheric thermal inversion due TiO and VO opacity in visible

Observations: fewer planets (ultra-hot) show stratospheric thermal inversion than expected

Possible explanations:

- Cold trapping of TiO/VO on the nightside ?
- High C/O ?
- Photodissociation of TiO/VO by high stellar activity ?

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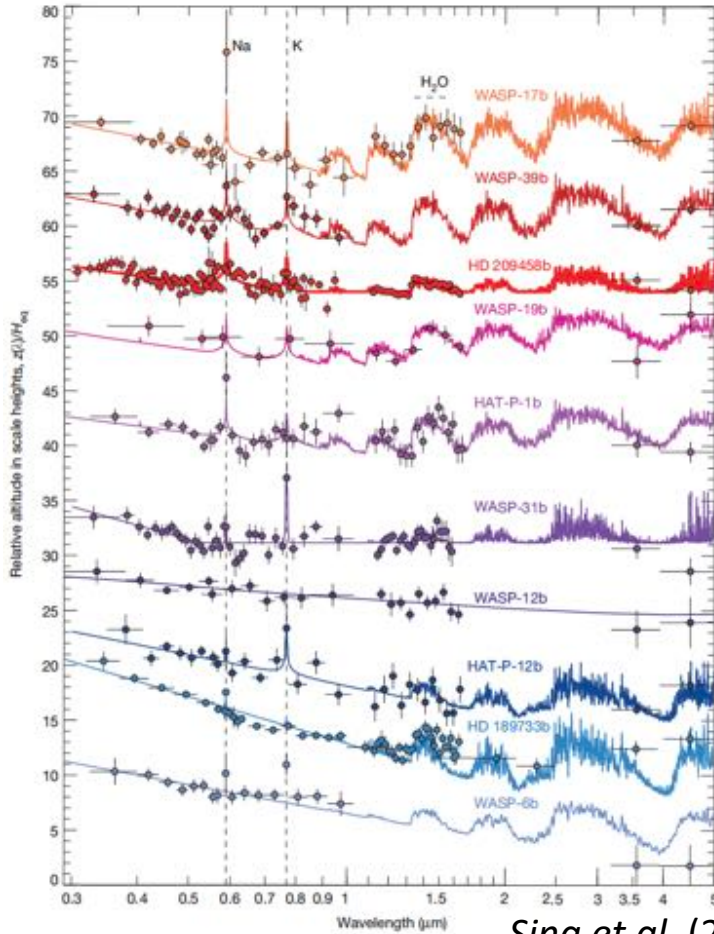
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A continuum from cloudy to cloud-free planets



Sing et al. (2015)

- Flat transit spectrum
- Mie-scattering slope

Condensate clouds
(thermodynamic phase change)



Haze
(non-equilibrium chemistry)



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Clouds are everywhere





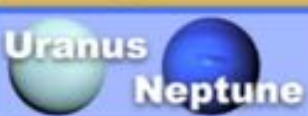


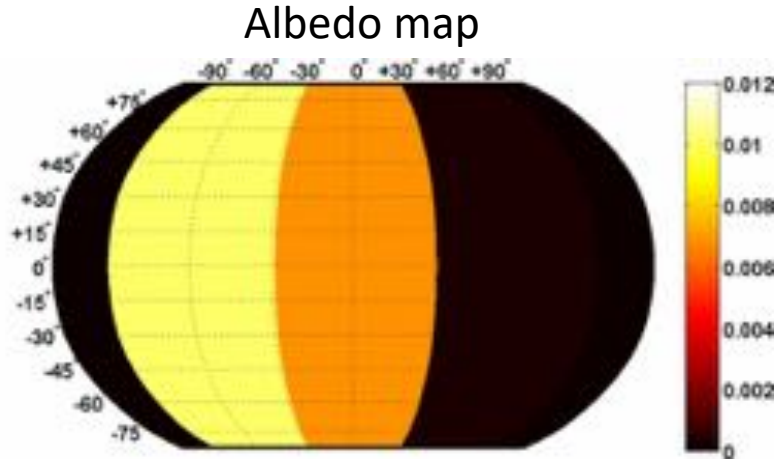
 Venus	H ₂ SO ₄	H ₂ SO ₄ and other heavier photochemical products like S ₈ (?)
 Earth	H ₂ O	Smog
 Mars	H ₂ O, CO ₂	No haze (but lots of dust)
 Jupiter Saturn	H ₂ O, NH ₃ , NH ₄ SH	Forms from NH ₃ , CH ₄ , H ₂ S, etc. photochemistry
 Titan	CH ₄ , HCN, C ₄ N ₂ , C ₂ H ₆ , other organics	Forms from CH ₄ , N ₂ , CO, etc. photochemistry
 Uranus Neptune	H ₂ O, NH ₃ , NH ₄ SH CH ₄ , H ₂ S	Forms from NH ₃ , CH ₄ , H ₂ S, etc. photochemistry
 Triton	N ₂	Forms from CH ₄ , N ₂ , CO, etc. photochemistry
 Pluto	N ₂	Forms from CH ₄ , N ₂ , CO, etc. photochemistry
 Exoplanets	CH ₄ , NH ₃ , H ₂ O alkali metals, iron, silicates, other, etc.	Yes. All the possible kinds.

Figure from Sarah Hörst

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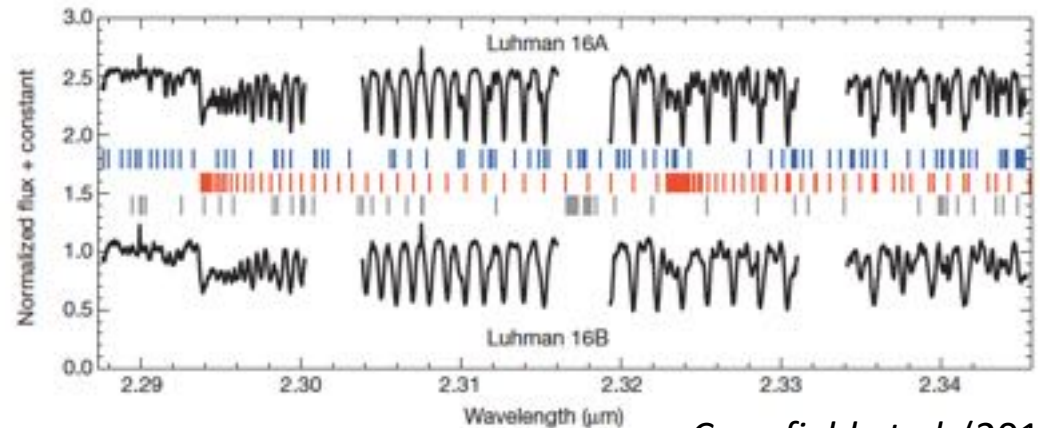
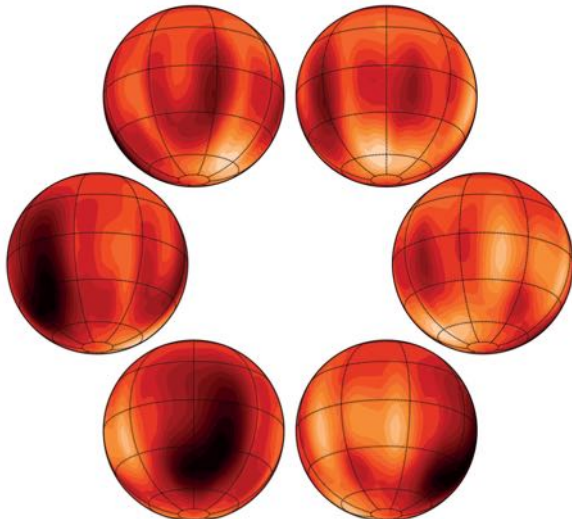
Inhomogeneous cloud distribution



Demory et al. (2013)

- Evaporation at hot spot
(Demory et al. 2013, Parmentier et al. 2016)
- Probably thick clouds on nightside
(Keating et al. 2019)

Cloud mapping of brown dwarf



Crossfield et al. (2014)

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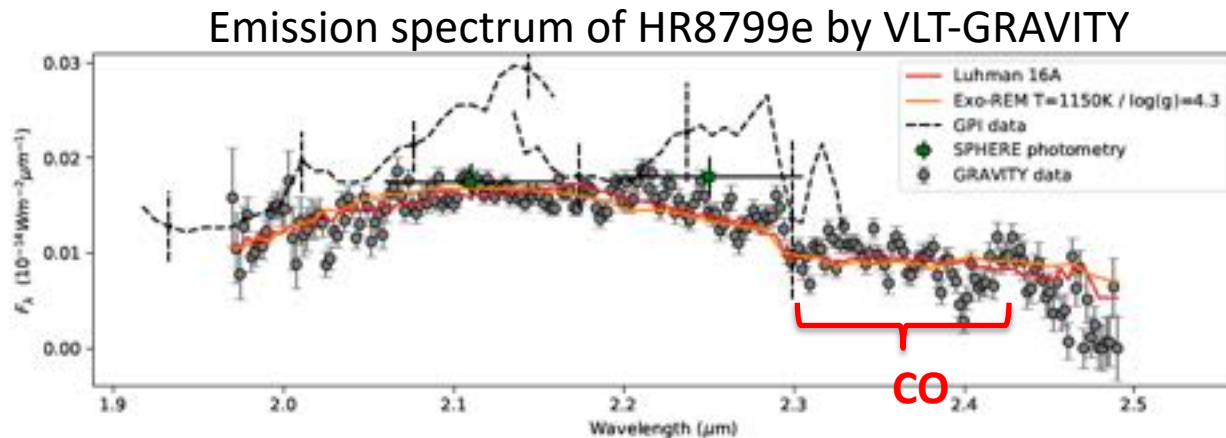
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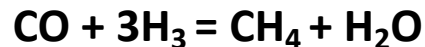
Chemical disequilibrium (*See Olivia's course*)

Deviation from chemical equilibrium produced by mixing or photochemistry



Lacour et al. (2019)

Ex: CO-CH₄ conversion in young giant planets

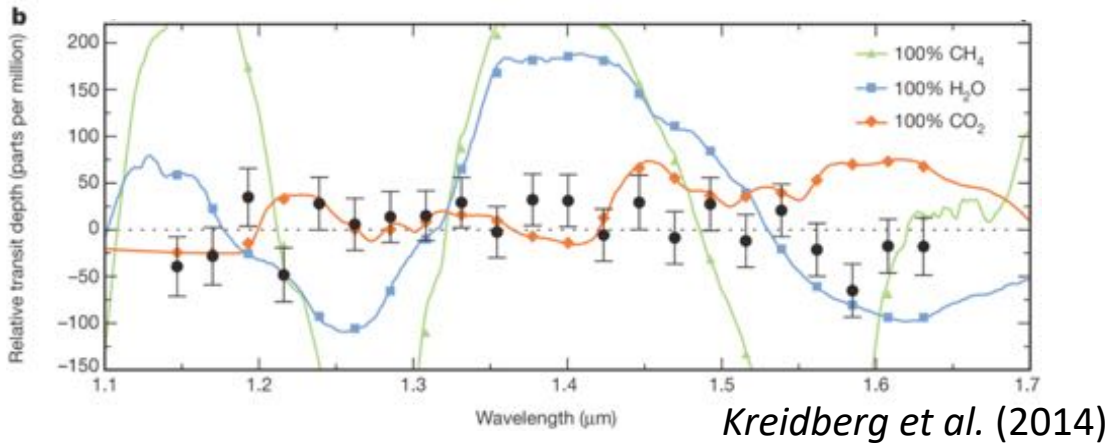


CO and CH₄ abundances are quenched by vertical mixing

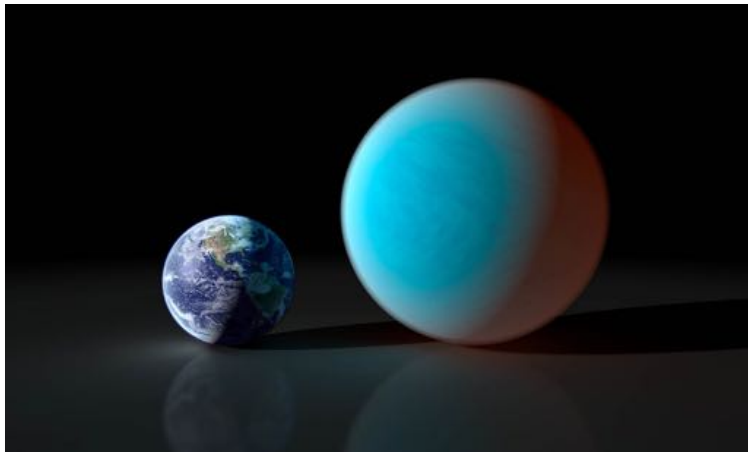
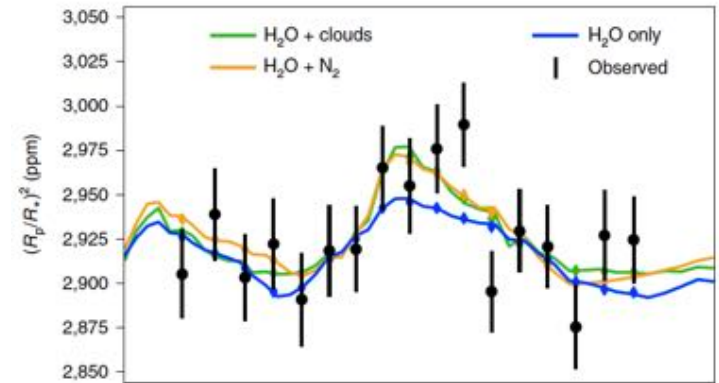
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Low-mass planets seem to have high-mean molecular weight

GJ1214b



K2-18b



Flat transit spectrum:
→ high mean molecular weight (i.e. high metallicity)
+ clouds

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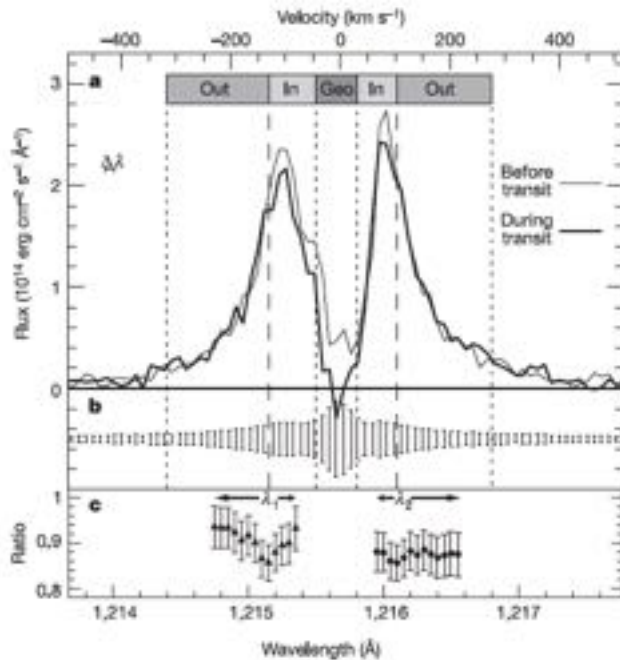
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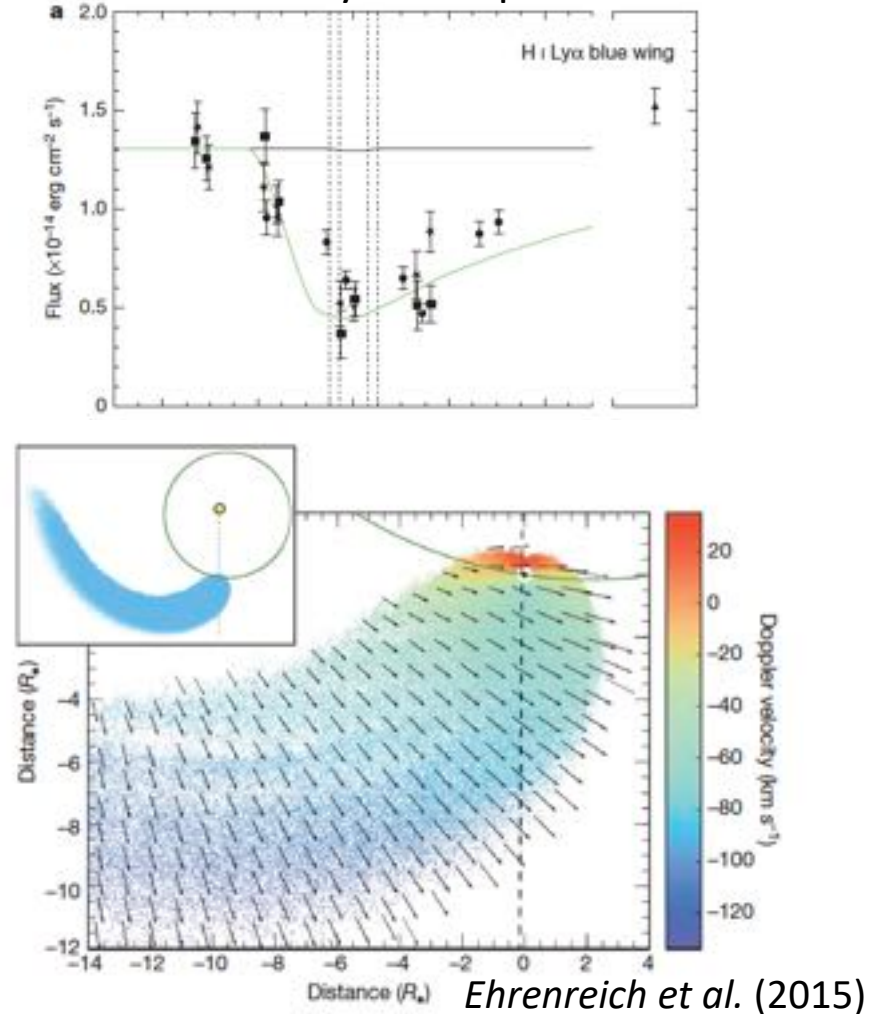
HD209458 Lyman α profile



Vidal-Madjar et al. (2003)

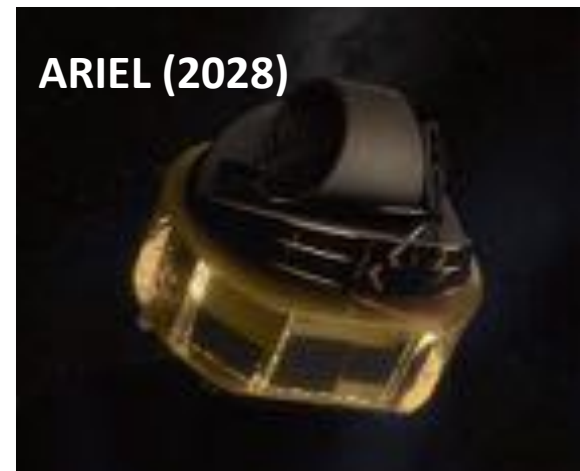
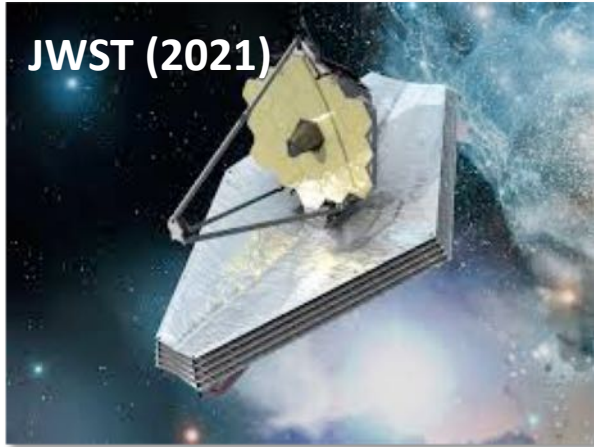
- Hydrodynamic escape by strong EUV stellar flux
- Comet-like H cloud

GJ436b Lyman α profile



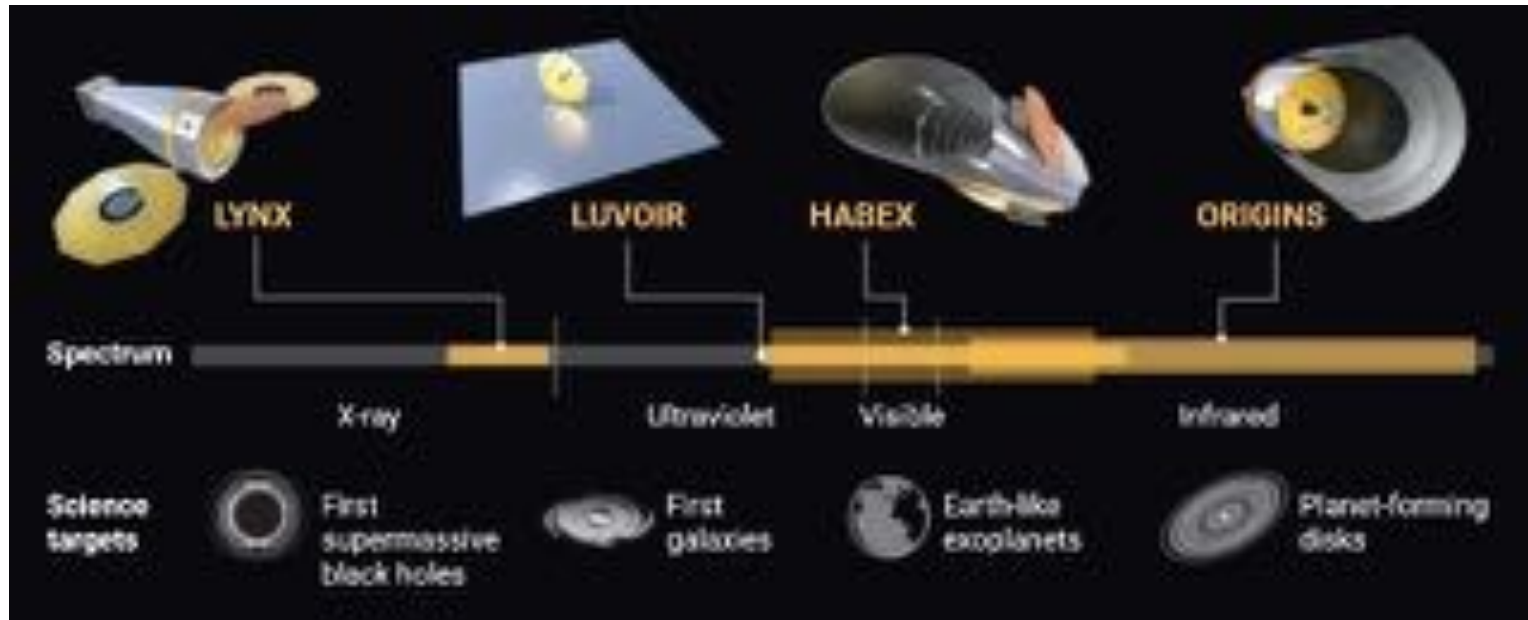
Ehrenreich et al. (2015)

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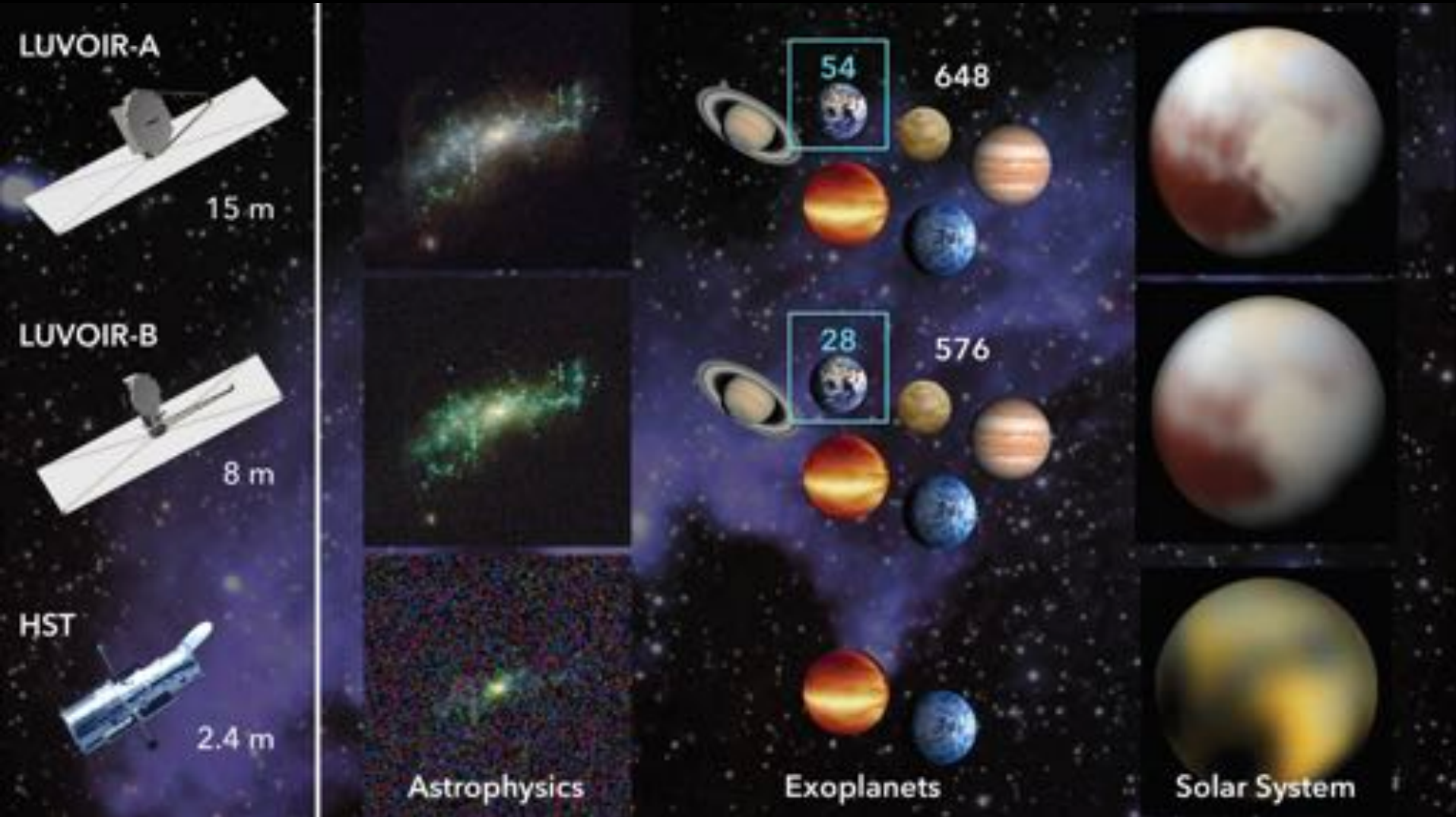


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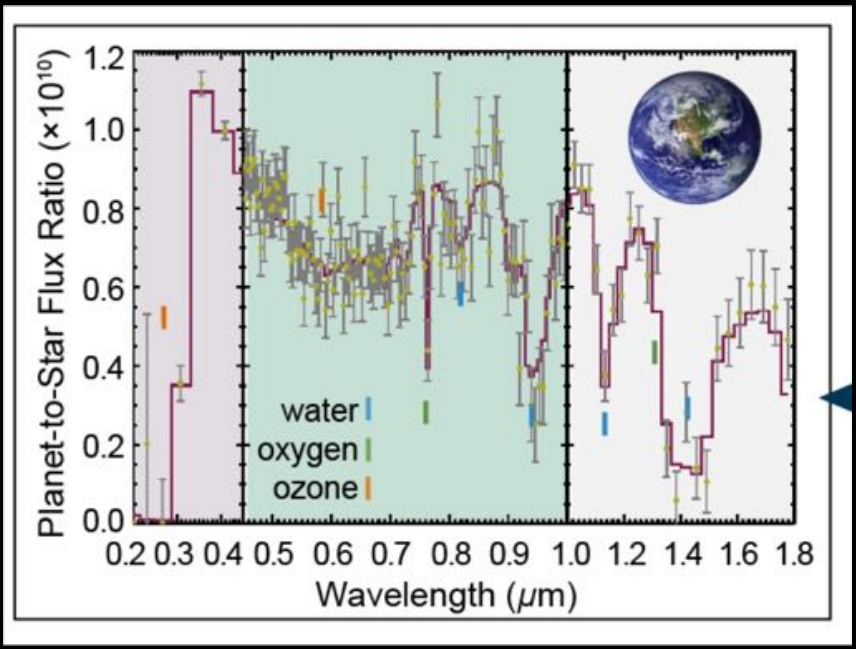
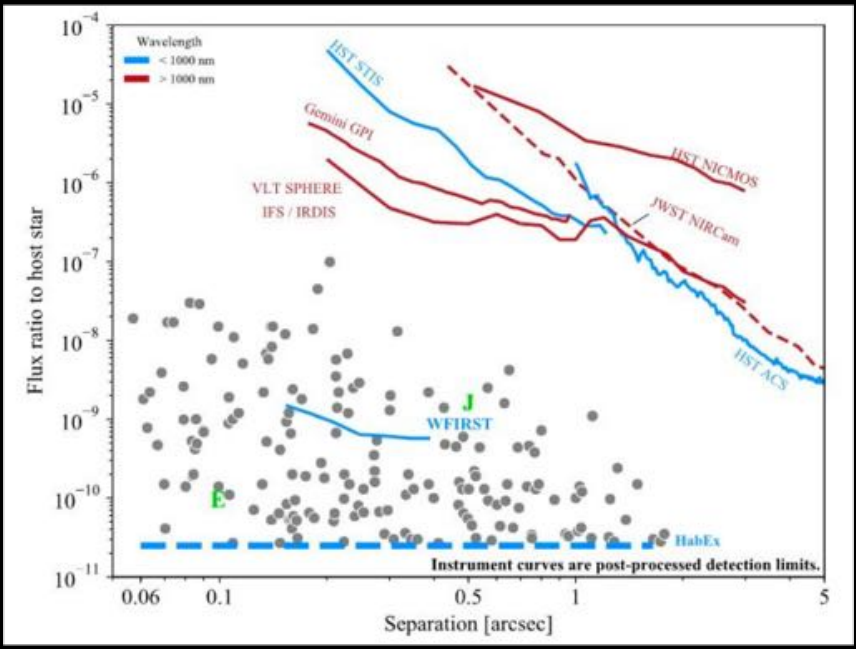
Futur NASA Great Observatory (2035-2040)



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Introduction

A diversity of exoplanets

I) Observational techniques

- Transit
- Direct imaging
- Medium/high spectral resolution
- Lessons from observations of exoplanets

II) Modelling exoplanetary atmospheres

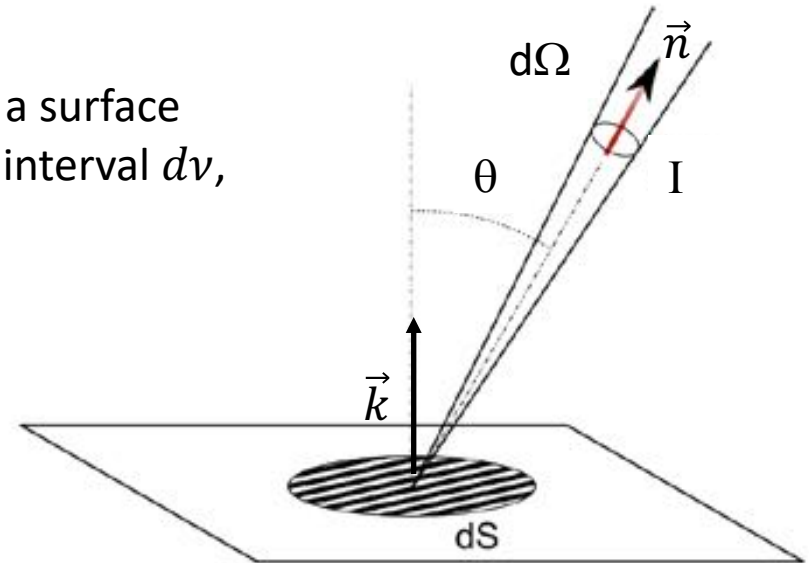
- Radiative transfer
- Thermal structure
- Clouds & aerosols

I) Radiative transfer

Definition intensity and flux

Intensity I = amount of energy passing through a surface area dS , within a solid angle $d\Omega$, per frequency interval $d\nu$, per unit time (I in $\text{J m}^{-2} \text{sr}^{-1} \text{Hz}^{-1}$):

$$dE = I(x, \vec{n}, \nu, t) \vec{n} \cdot \vec{k} d\Omega dS d\nu dt$$



Moments:

Mean intensity:

$$J = \int_{\Omega} I(x, \vec{n}, \nu, t) d\Omega$$

Flux:

$$F = \int_{\Omega} I(x, \vec{n}, \nu, t) \vec{n} \cdot \vec{k} d\Omega = \iint I(x, \theta, \varphi, \nu, t) \cos(\theta) \sin(\theta) d\theta d\varphi$$

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Blackbody radiation:

$$B(T, \nu) = \frac{2h\nu}{c^2} \frac{1}{e^{h\nu/kT} - 1}$$

$$B(T, \lambda) = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1}$$

Flux from one hemisphere (isotropic radiation):

$$F_s(T, \nu) = \pi B(T, \nu)$$

Total flux from one hemisphere (Stefan–Boltzmann law) :

$$F_s(T) = \sigma T^4, \sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ J K}^{-4} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Brightness temperature:

$$T_b = \frac{h\nu}{k} \frac{1}{\ln\left(1 + \frac{2\pi h\nu}{c^2 F_s}\right)}$$

$$\text{with } F_{obs} = F_s \left(\frac{R_p}{Dist}\right)^2$$

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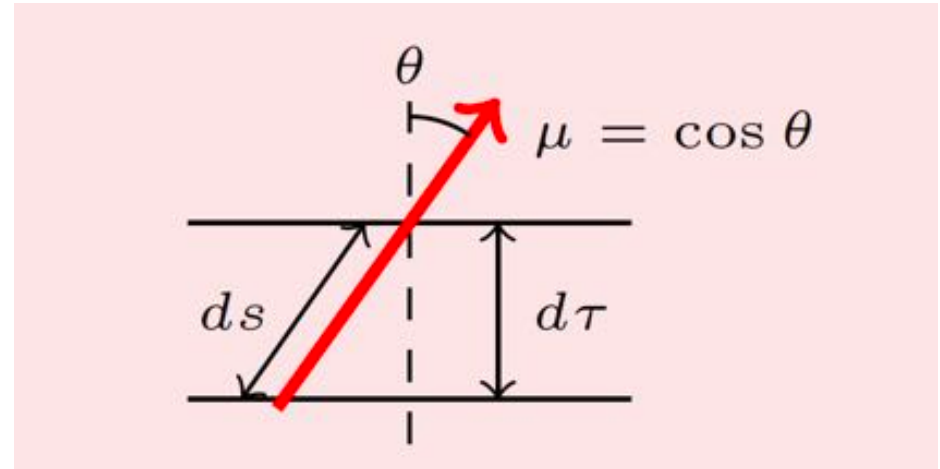
Radiative transfer equation for plane-parallel

Optical depth & extinction coefficient:

$$d\tau = -k(T, P, \nu) \mu ds$$

$$k(T, P, \nu) = \sum_i n_i (\sigma_i^{abs} + \sigma_i^{scat})$$

Optical mean free path: $l = \frac{1}{k}$



Radiative transfer equation:

$$\mu \frac{dI}{d\tau} = I - S$$

Local thermodynamic Equilibrium (LTE):

$$T_{\text{radiation}} = T_{\text{kinetics}}$$

Condition: mean free path of photons \ll length scale of T variations (for non-LTE see Pierre's talk)

I) Radiative transfer

Source function

$$S_\nu(\mu, \phi) = (1 - \omega_0)B(T, \nu) + \frac{\omega_0}{4} \iint P(\mu, \mu', \phi, \phi') I(\nu, \mu', \phi') d\mu' d\phi'$$

Thermal emission

Scattering

$$\omega_0: \text{single scattering albedo} = \frac{k_{scat}}{k_{scat} + k_{abs}}$$

P = scattering phase function

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\Omega} P(\Theta) d\Omega = 1$$

$$\text{Rayleigh scattering: } P(\Theta) = \frac{3}{4} (1 + \cos^2\Theta)$$

$$g: \text{asymmetry factor} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\Omega} \cos\Theta P(\Theta) d\Omega, \quad -1 \leq g \leq 1$$

$g = 0$ for isotropic or symmetric scattering (e.g. Rayleigh scattering)

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The two-stream approximation

Case of stellar radiation with no scattering:

$$\mu \frac{dI}{d\tau} = I - S$$

Goal: to compute the total upward and downward flux

$$J_{\uparrow} \equiv \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 I \, d\mu \, d\phi,$$

$$J_{\downarrow} \equiv \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{-1}^0 I \, d\mu \, d\phi,$$

$$F_{\uparrow} \equiv \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \mu I \, d\mu \, d\phi,$$

$$F_{\downarrow} \equiv \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{-1}^0 \mu I \, d\mu \, d\phi,$$

$$\begin{aligned} F^{\uparrow} &= 0 \\ F^{\downarrow} &= F_s e^{-\tau/\mu_*} \end{aligned}$$

μ_* is related to the angle of stellar irradiation. For 1D, we use a mean value, generally $\mu_* = 1/\sqrt{3}$ or $\cos(60^\circ)$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial F^{\uparrow}}{\partial \tau} &= J^{\uparrow} - 2\pi B \\ \frac{\partial F^{\downarrow}}{\partial \tau} &= -J^{\downarrow} + 2\pi B \end{aligned}$$

The two-stream solution consists in approximating I so that it is related to F .

We assume $\frac{F^{\uparrow}}{J^{\uparrow}} = \frac{F^{\downarrow}}{J^{\downarrow}} = \frac{1}{\gamma}$ (generally $\gamma = \sqrt{3}$)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial F^{\uparrow}}{\partial \tau} &= \gamma F^{\uparrow} - 2\pi B \\ \frac{\partial F^{\downarrow}}{\partial \tau} &= -\gamma F^{\downarrow} + 2\pi B \end{aligned}$$

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Resolution:

$$\begin{aligned}F^\uparrow(\tau) &= F_{surf}^\uparrow e^{-\gamma(\tau_0 - \tau)} + \int_{\tau}^{\tau_0} 2\pi B e^{-\gamma(\tau' - \tau)} d\tau' \\ F^\downarrow(\tau) &= F^\downarrow(\tau = 0) e^{-\gamma\tau} + \int_0^{\tau} 2\pi B e^{-\gamma(\tau - \tau')} d\tau'\end{aligned}$$

Outgoing radiation:

$$OLR = \int_0^{\infty} \left[F_{surf}^\uparrow e^{-\gamma\tau_0} + \int_0^{\tau_0} 2\pi B e^{-\gamma\tau} d\tau \right] dv$$

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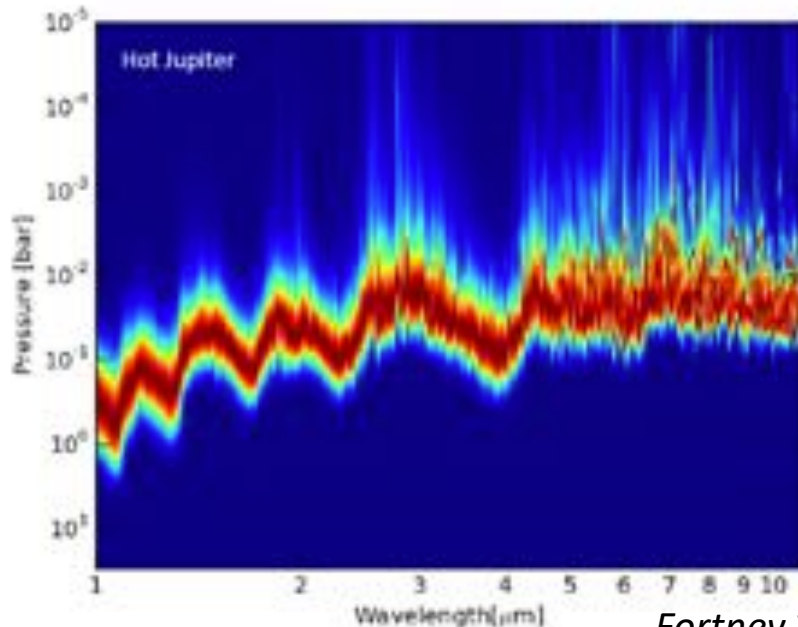
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Transmittance

Contribution function:

$$cf(P) = B(\nu, T) \frac{de^{-\gamma\tau}}{d\log(P)}$$



Fortney 2018

Peak of contribution:

at $\tau \sim 2/3$ also called the **photosphere**

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Radiative equilibrium:

$$\frac{\partial F_\nu}{\partial \tau} = \frac{\partial (F^\uparrow - F^\downarrow)}{\partial \tau} = 0$$

$$\longrightarrow \gamma F^\uparrow + \gamma F^\downarrow = 4\pi B$$

$$\longrightarrow F_\nu(\tau) = \frac{4\pi}{\gamma^2} \frac{dB}{d\tau}$$

$$\text{With } \gamma = \sqrt{3} \text{ and } d\tau = k_\nu dz: \longrightarrow F_\nu(z) = -\frac{4\pi}{3k_\nu} \frac{dB}{dT} \frac{dT}{dz}$$

Total flux: $F(z) = \int_0^\infty F_\nu(z) d\nu = -\frac{4\pi}{3} \frac{dT}{dz} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{k_\nu} \frac{dB}{dT} d\nu$

Diffusive form:

$$F(z) = -\frac{16}{3} \frac{\sigma T^3}{k_R} \frac{dT}{dz} = -D_R \frac{dT}{dz}$$

$$\frac{1}{k_R} = \frac{\int_0^\infty \left(\frac{1}{k_\nu}\right) \left(\frac{dB_\nu}{dT}\right) d\nu}{\int_0^\infty \left(\frac{dB_\nu}{dT}\right) d\nu}$$

k_R is the Rosseland opacity

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General case for thermal emission with scattering

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Quadrature	$\sqrt{3}[1 - \omega_0(1 + g)]/2$	$\sqrt{3}\omega_0(1 + g)/2$	$1/\sqrt{3}$
Hemispheric mean	$2 - \omega_0(1 + g)$	$\omega_0(1 - g)$	$1/2$

Quadrature for deep atmosphere & Hemispheric mean for the upper atmosphere

See *Toon et al. (1989)* for the complete solution with multi-layers

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Hemispheric mean	$2 - \omega_0(1 + g)$	$\omega_0(1 - g)$	1/2

Quadrature for deep atmosphere & Hemispheric mean for the upper atmosphere

See *Toon et al. (1989)* for the complete solution with multi-layers

I) Radiative transfer

Methods for solving RT

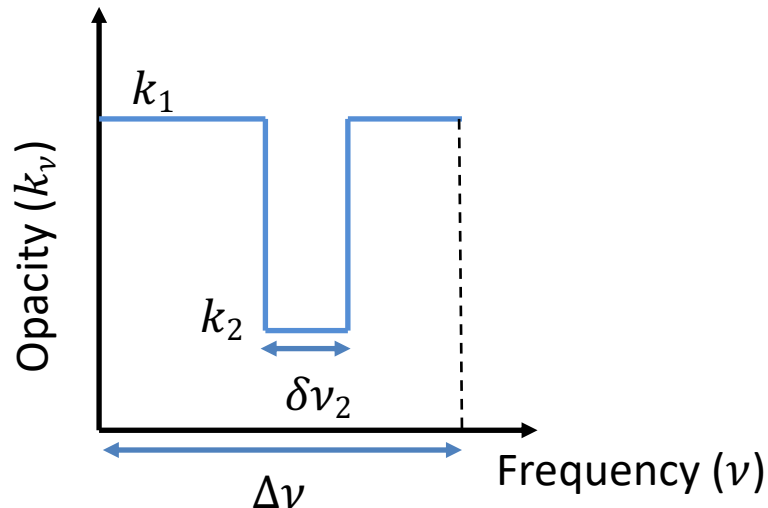
1) Semi-grey analytical model

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Planck mean opacity

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Optically thick ($\tau > 1$)
Rosseland mean opacity

$$\frac{1}{k_R} = \frac{\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{k_\nu(T, P, \nu)} \frac{dB_\nu}{dT} d\nu}{\int_0^\infty \frac{dB_\nu}{dT} d\nu}$$



with $k_1 \gg k_2$

$$k_p = k_1(\Delta\nu - \delta\nu_2)/\Delta\nu$$

$$k_R = k_2\delta\nu_2/\Delta\nu$$

Transmittance of a layer Δz :

$$T = \int e^{-k\Delta z} d\nu$$

If $k_1\Delta z \gg 1$ & $k_2\Delta z \ll 1$:

$$T \approx k_2\delta\nu_2\Delta z/\Delta\nu = k_R \Delta z$$

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Mean opacity for H₂-dominated atmosphere:

Table in *Freedman et al. (2008)*

MEAN OPACITIES FOR [M/H] = 0.0

T (K)	P (dyn cm ⁻²)	ρ (g cm ⁻³)	κ_R (cm ² g ⁻¹)	κ_p (cm ² g ⁻¹)
75.....	3E+02	1.1277E-07	2.5619E-06	7.1083E-06
75.....	3E+03	1.1277E-06	2.5589E-05	6.4309E-05
75.....	1E+04	3.7591E-06	8.5261E-05	2.1238E-04
75.....	3E+04	1.1277E-05	2.5571E-04	6.3555E-04
75.....	1E+05	3.7591E-05	8.5211E-04	2.1167E-03
75.....	3E+05	1.1277E-04	2.5557E-03	6.3485E-03
75.....	1E+06	3.7591E-04	8.5180E-03	2.1160E-02
75.....	3E+06	1.1277E-03	2.5553E-02	6.3478E-02
75.....	1E+07	3.7591E-03	8.5176E-02	2.1159E-01
100.....	3E+02	8.4584E-08	4.5393E-06	2.4757E-02
100.....	3E+03	8.4583E-07	3.9962E-05	2.5407E-03
100.....	1E+04	2.8193E-06	1.2854E-04	1.0837E-03
100.....	3E+04	8.4582E-06	3.7709E-04	1.0589E-03
100.....	1E+05	2.8193E-05	1.2345E-03	2.5780E-03
100.....	3E+05	8.4582E-05	3.6583E-03	7.3903E-03
100.....	1E+06	2.8193E-04	1.2104E-02	2.4401E-02
100.....	3E+06	8.4582E-04	3.6260E-02	7.3044E-02
100.....	1E+07	2.8193E-03	1.2088E-01	2.4334E-01
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I) Radiative transfer

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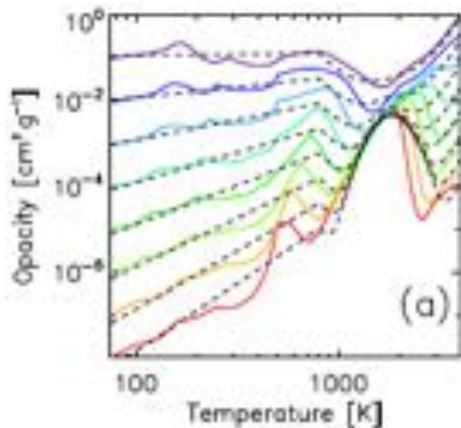
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Mean opacity for H₂-dominated atmosphere:

Parameterization in *Freedman et al. (2018)*



$$\kappa_{\text{gas}} = \kappa_{\text{lowP}} + \kappa_{\text{highP}}$$

$$\log_{10} \kappa_{\text{lowP}} = c_1 \tan^{-1}(\log_{10} T - c_2) - \frac{c_3}{\log_{10} P + c_4} e^{(c_5 \log_{10} T - c_5)^2} + c_6 \text{met} + c_7$$

$$\log_{10} \kappa_{\text{highP}} = c_8 + c_9 \log_{10} T + c_{10} (\log_{10} T)^2 + \log_{10} P (c_{11} + c_{12} \log_{10} T) + c_{13} \text{met} \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\log_{10} T - 2.5}{0.2} \right) \right]$$

Table 2
Coefficients used for opacity fit

For all T		$T < 800$ K		$T > 800$ K
c_1	10.602	c_8	-14.051	82.241
c_2	2.882	c_9	3.055	-55.456
c_3	6.09×10^{-15}	c_{10}	0.024	8.754
c_4	2.954	c_{11}	1.877	0.7048
c_5	-2.526	c_{12}	-0.445	-0.0414
c_6	0.843	c_{13}	0.8321	0.8321
c_7	-5.490

I) Radiative transfer

Methods for solving RT

1) Semi-grey analytical model

➔ Only for computing the thermal structure (e.g. for retrieval or thermal evolution)

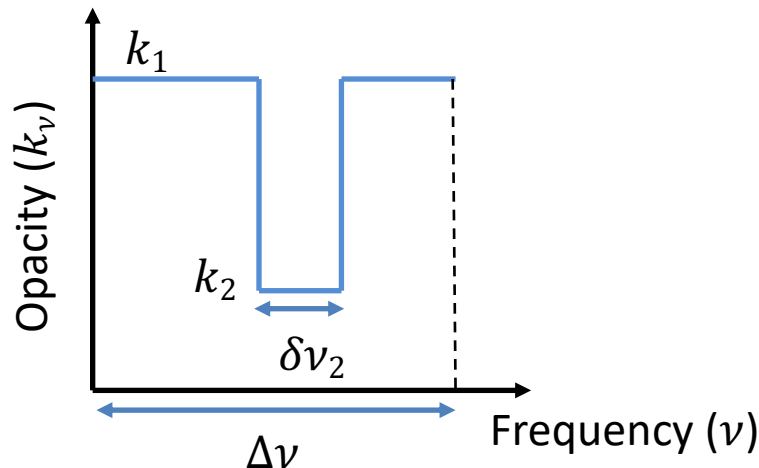
- Model of Guillot et al. (2010):

Two parameters (k_{vis} and k_{ir}) for visible (stellar) and infrared (planetary) radiation

- Models with sub-bands:

e.g. *Parmentier et al. (2014)* and *Robinson & Catling (2012)*:

One parameter for visible (k_{vis}) and three parameters for infrared (k_{ir1} , k_{ir2} , $\beta = \frac{\delta\nu_2}{\Delta\nu}$)



I) Radiative transfer

Methods for solving RT

2) Correlated-k method

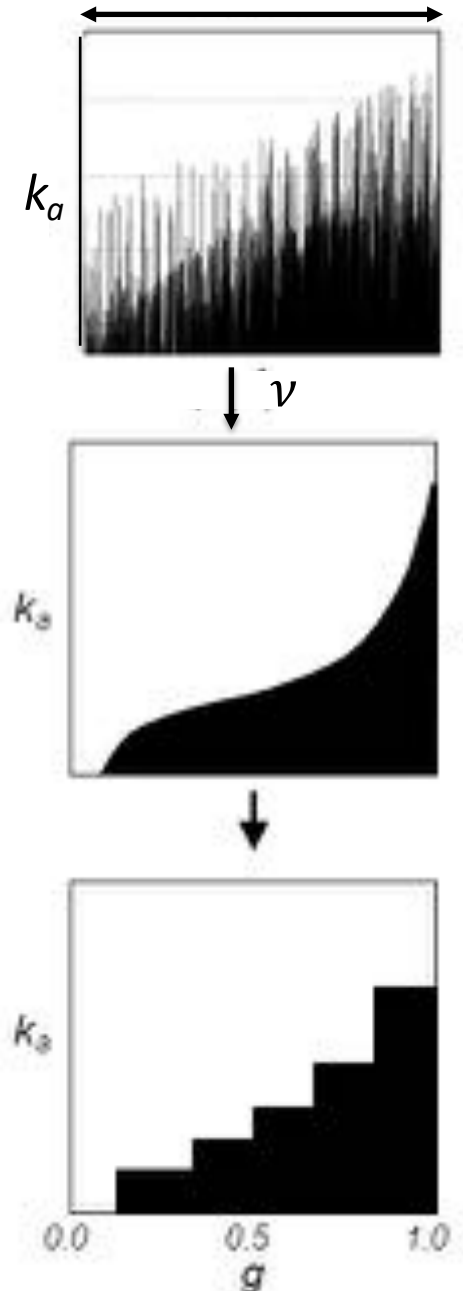
$$T = \int_{\nu}^{\nu+\Delta\nu} \exp[-k(\nu)\Delta z] \frac{d\nu}{\Delta\nu}$$

Going from frequency space to g-space, where g is the cumulative opacity distribution function: $dg = f(k)dk$

$$T \approx \sum_i^{N_g} \exp[-k_i \Delta z] \Delta g_i$$



**Fast method, excellent for low and medium resolution
Widely used for atmospheric models and 3D GCM**



I) Radiative transfer

Methods for solving RT

2) Correlated-k method

Possibility to combine multiple species

$$T = \int_{\nu}^{\nu+\Delta\nu} \exp[-X_1 k_1(\nu) + X_2 k_2(\nu) \Delta z] \frac{d\nu}{\Delta\nu}$$

We assume that k_1 and k_2 are uncorrelated

$$T = \left[\int_{\nu}^{\nu+\Delta\nu} e^{-X_1 k_1(\nu) \Delta z} \frac{d\nu}{\Delta\nu} \right] \left[\int_{\nu}^{\nu+\Delta\nu} e^{-X_2 k_2(\nu) \Delta z} \frac{d\nu}{\Delta\nu} \right]$$

Going from frequency space to g-space:

$$T \approx \sum_i^{N_g} \sum_j^{N_g} \exp[-X_1 k_{1i} + X_2 k_{2j} \Delta z] \Delta g_i \Delta g_j$$

Equivalent to a single gas with: $k_{ij} = X_1 k_{1i} + X_2 k_{2j}$ and $\Delta g_{ij} = \Delta g_i \Delta g_j$

→ ordering of increasing k_{ij} → interpolate on g-space → iterate with another specie

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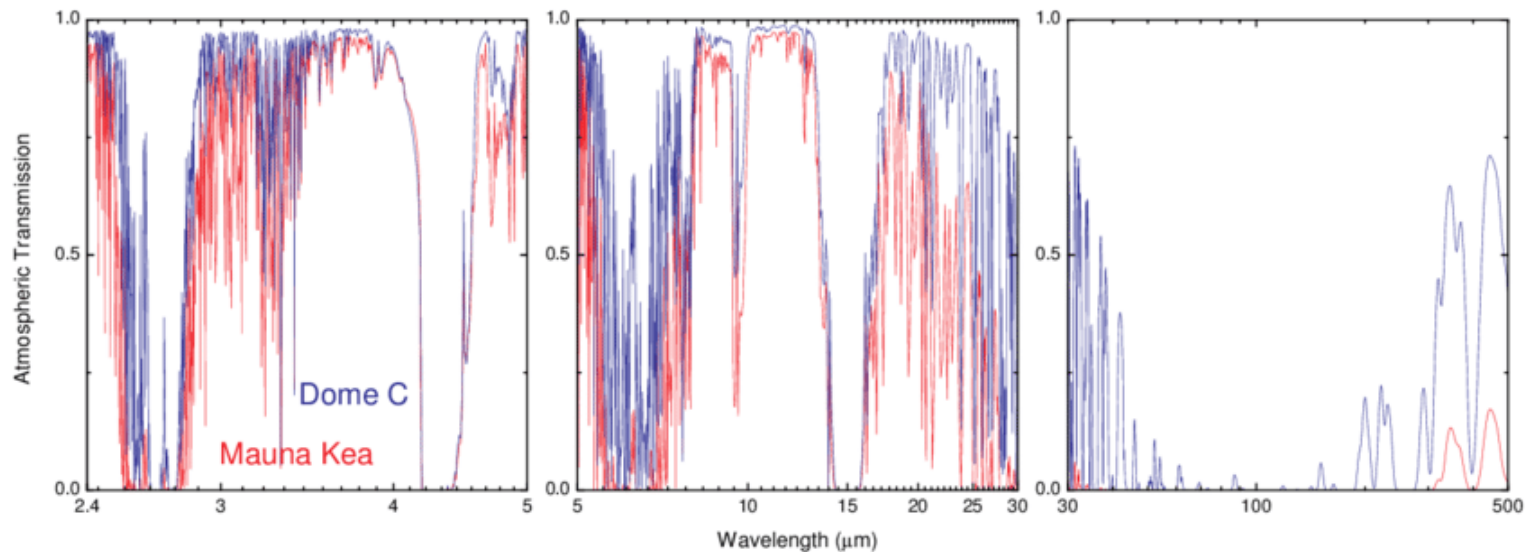
3) Line-by-line models

➔ For computing accurate transmittance & spectra at medium/high resolution

- Ex: LBLRTM

http://rtweb.aer.com/lblrtm_frame.html

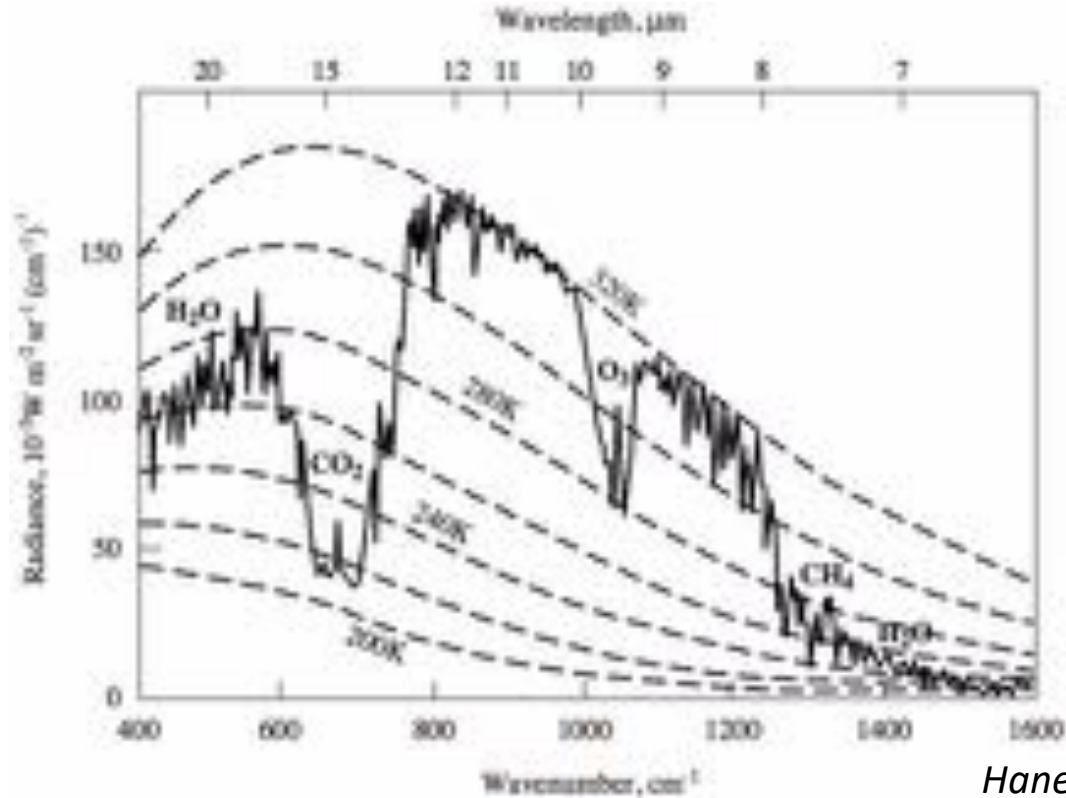
Earth atmospheric transmittance at Mauna Kea & Dome C (computed with LBLRTM)



Burton et al. (2004)

I) Radiative transfer

A first look at the greenhouse effect



Hanel et al. (1972)

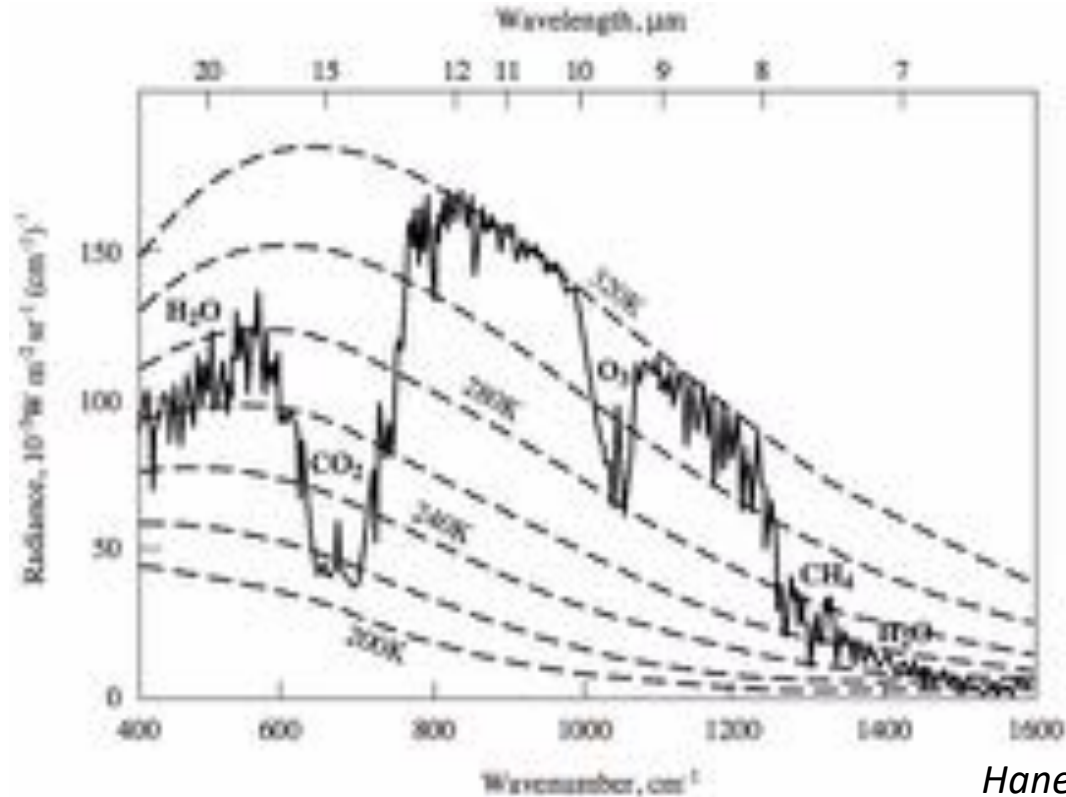
Outgoing radiation:

$$OLR = \int_0^{\infty} \left[F_{surf}^{\uparrow} e^{-\gamma\tau_0} + \int_0^{\tau_0} 2\pi B e^{-\gamma\tau} d\tau \right] dv$$

Transmittance

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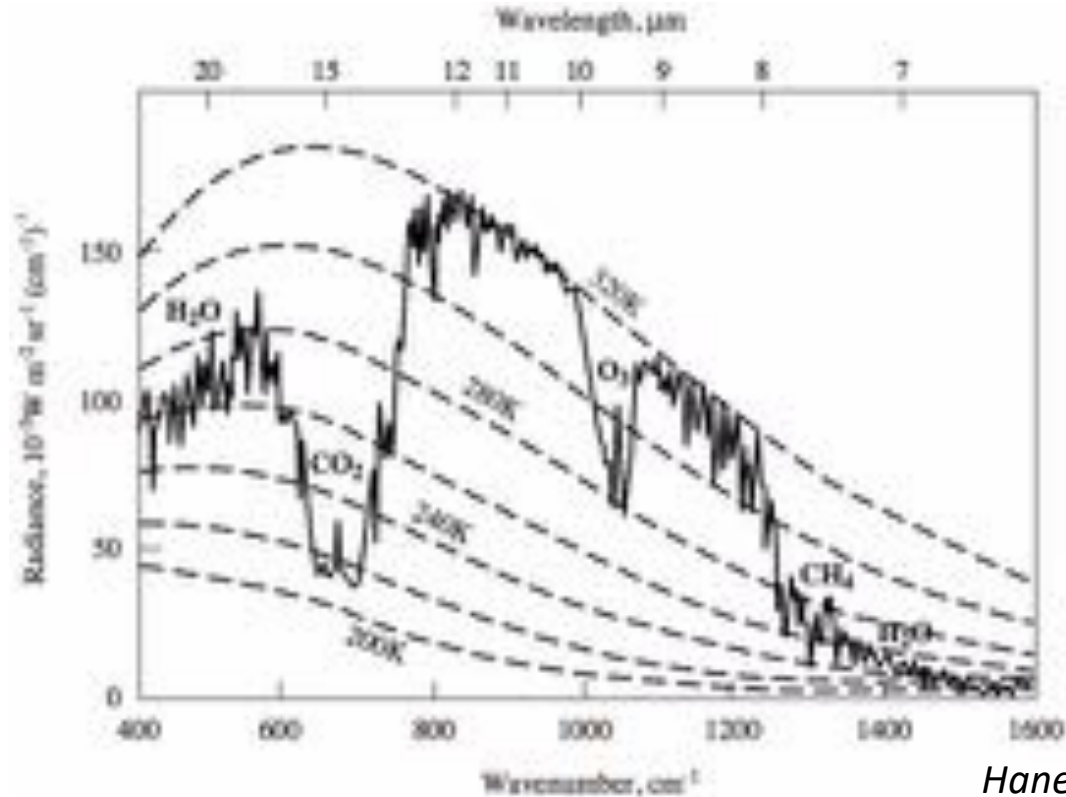
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- 1) For current Earth's atmosphere $\rightarrow \text{CH}_4 \approx 20 \times \text{CO}_2$
- 2) For a pure N_2 atmosphere $\rightarrow \text{CO}_2 \approx 6 \times \text{CH}_4$

I) Radiative transfer

A first look at the greenhouse effect

Radiative forcing of a greenhouse gas:

$$\Delta F = \text{ASR} - \text{OLR}(C) = \text{OLR}(C_0) - \text{OLR}(C)$$

$$\Delta F_{\text{CO}_2} = 5.35 \times \ln\left(\frac{C}{C_0}\right) \quad (\text{CO}_2 \text{ concentration } C \text{ in ppm})$$

$$\Delta F_{\text{CH}_4} = 0.036 \times (\sqrt{C} - \sqrt{C_0}) \quad (\text{CH}_4 \text{ concentration } C \text{ in ppb})$$

Mhyre et al. (1998)

Climate sensitivity: **S = ΔT for $2 \times \text{CO}_2$**

$$\text{IPPC report: } S=1.5\text{-}4.5 \text{ K} \rightarrow \frac{S}{\Delta F_{2 \times \text{CO}_2}} \approx 0.8 \text{ K W}^{-1} \text{ m}^2$$

I) Radiative transfer

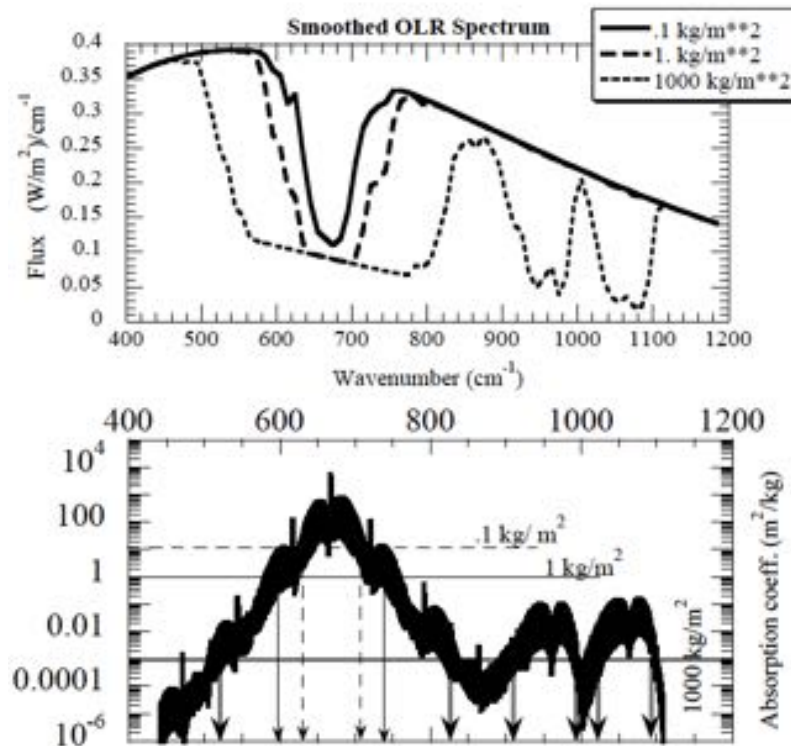
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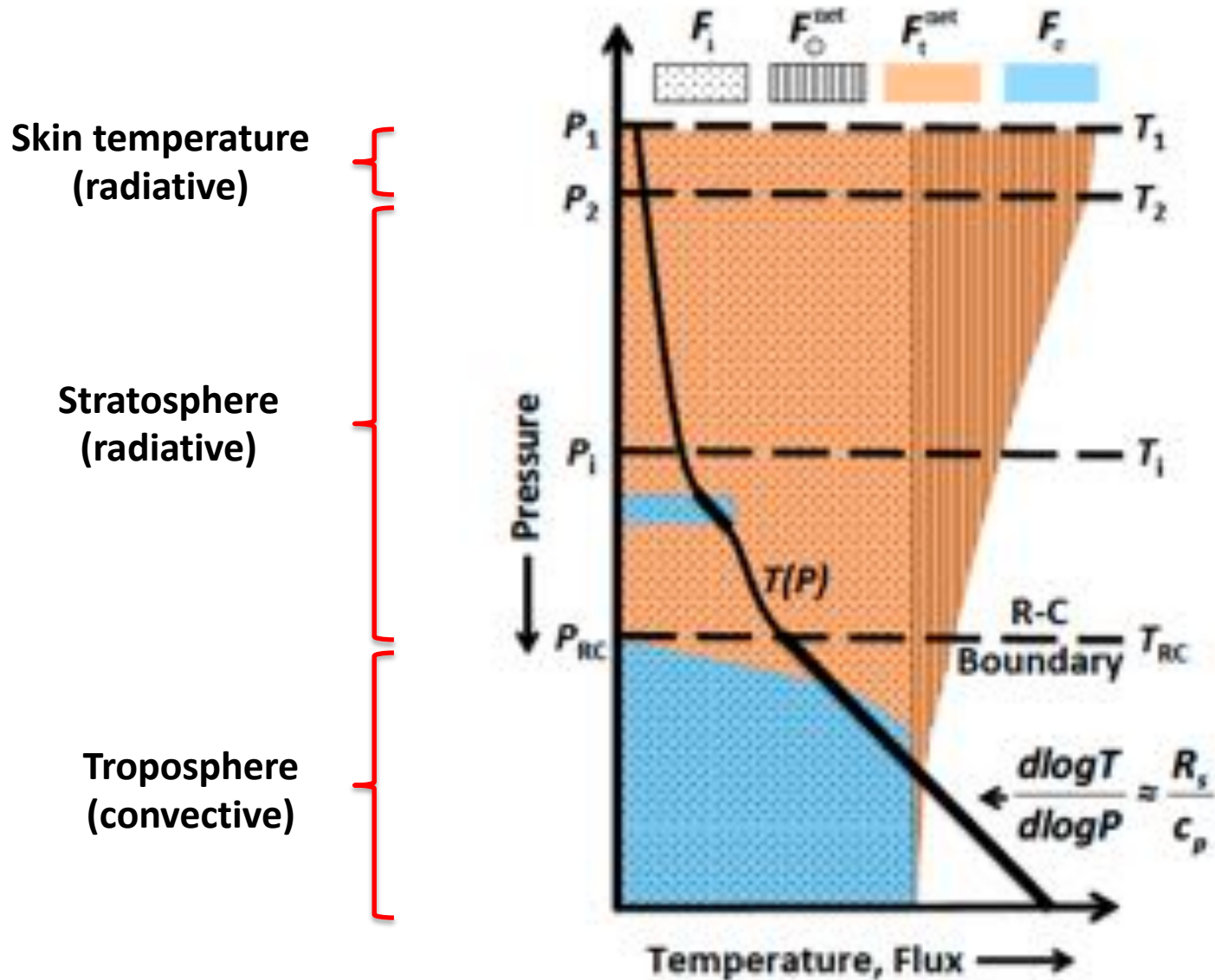
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Width of the optically thick band $\propto \ln(C)$

from Pierrehumbert

II) Thermal structure



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Resolution of the two-stream for semi-grey case with no scattering

1) Grey atmosphere heated from below

Thermal emission

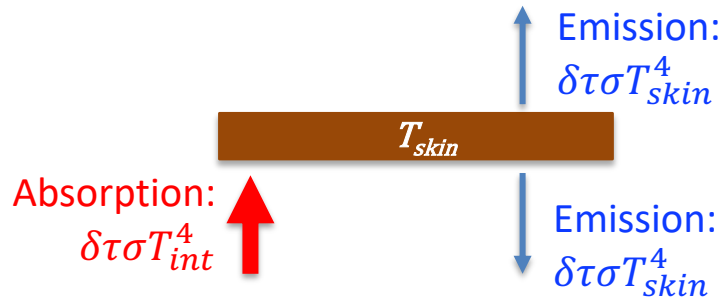
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial F^\uparrow}{\partial \tau} &= \gamma F^\uparrow - 2\pi B \\ \frac{\partial F^\downarrow}{\partial \tau} &= -\gamma F^\downarrow + 2\pi B\end{aligned}$$

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- We choose $\gamma = \sqrt{3}$ in the deep atmosphere

$$T(\tau = 0) = T_{skin} = 2^{-1/4} T_{int}$$

Heating:

$$\rho c_v \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = -\frac{dF}{dz} = 0 \text{ at equilibrium}$$



Beautiful exercise: show that

$$T^4 = \frac{3}{4} T_{int}^4 \left(\tau + \frac{2}{3} \right)$$

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$$(1)-(2) \rightarrow \frac{\partial F}{\partial \tau} = \gamma(F^\uparrow + F^\downarrow) - 4\pi B$$

$$\int dv \rightarrow \frac{\partial F_{tot}}{\partial \tau} = \gamma(F_{tot}^\uparrow + F_{tot}^\downarrow) - 4\sigma T^4 = 0$$

$$\text{Derivative} \rightarrow 3(F_{tot}^\uparrow - F_{tot}^\downarrow) - 4\sigma \frac{\partial T^4}{\partial \tau} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad 3T_{int}^4 - 4 \frac{\partial T^4}{\partial \tau} = 0$$

$$\text{Integration} \rightarrow T^4 = \frac{3}{4} T_{int}^4 \left(\tau + \frac{2}{3} \right)$$

$$\text{At the ground: } T_g^4 - T^4(\tau_g) = T_{int}^4$$
$$T_g^4 = \frac{3}{4} T_{int}^4 (\tau + 2)$$

II) Thermal structure

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2) Grey atmosphere heated from above and below

→ Model of *Guillot et al.* (2010)

- Internal flux: $F_{int} = \sigma T_{int}^4$
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- Effective temperature: $T_{eff}^4 = f T_{irr}^4 + T_{int}^4$
- $\tau = \tau_{ir}$; $\gamma = k_{vis}/k_{ir}$

$$T^4 = \frac{3}{4} T_{int}^4 \left(\tau + \frac{2}{3} \right) + \frac{3}{4} T_{irr}^4 f \left[\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{\gamma\sqrt{3}} + \left(\frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{\gamma\sqrt{3}} \right) e^{-\gamma\tau\sqrt{3}} \right]$$

$f = 1$ at substellar point,

$f = 1/2$ for a day-side average

$f = 1/4$ for an average over the whole planet

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For $\tau \gg 1$: $T_{deep}^4 = \frac{3}{4} \tau T_{int}^4 + \frac{3}{4} T_{irr}^4 f \left[\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{\gamma\sqrt{3}} \right]$

For inflated hot Jupiters:

Heat transfer to the deep atmosphere ($10^{-4}\%$ - 1% F_{ext} into F_{int})

→ Huge change for the temperature in the deep atmosphere

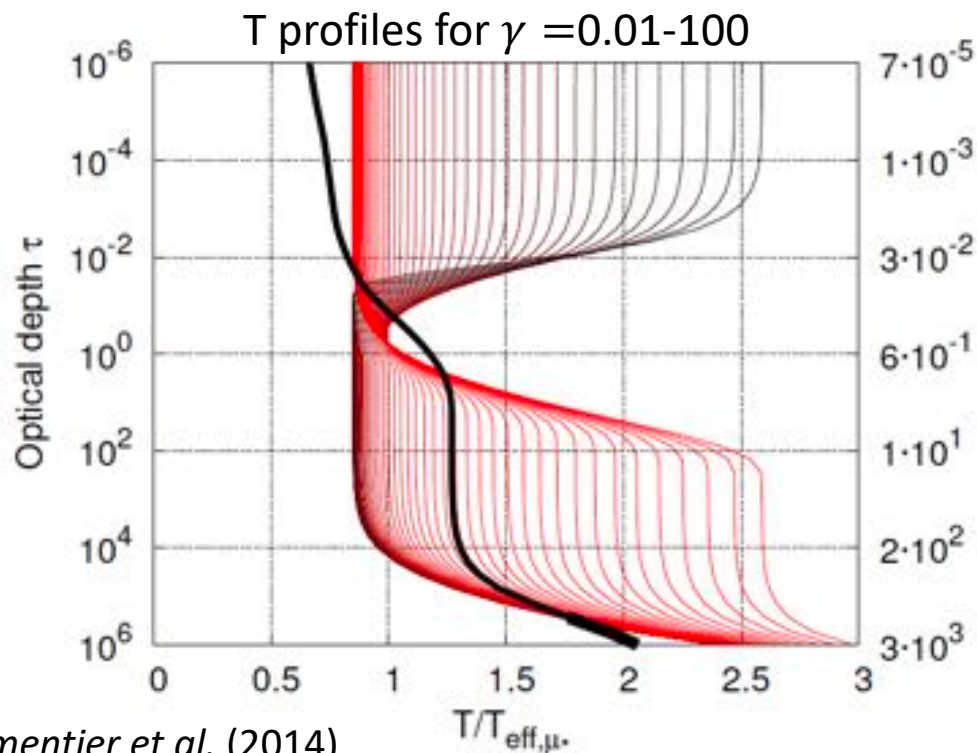
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Stratospheric thermal inversion for $\gamma > 1$

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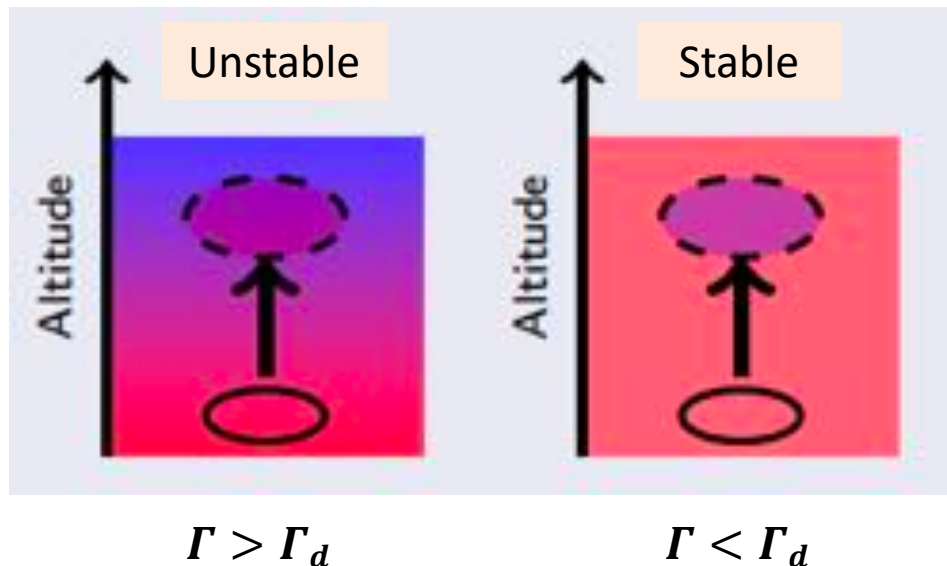
Troposphere and convective instability

Adiabatic lapse rate

For an air parcel with no heat transfer:

$$\Gamma_d = -\frac{dT}{dz} = \frac{g}{C_p} \leftrightarrow \frac{d \ln T}{d \ln P} = \frac{R}{C_p} \leftrightarrow T = T_0 \left(\frac{P_0}{P}\right)^{R/C_p}$$

Stability of an air parcel



II) Thermal structure

Troposphere and convective instability

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$$\frac{d \ln T}{d \ln P} = \frac{P}{4 \left(\tau + \frac{2}{3} \right)} \frac{d \tau}{d P}$$

$$1) \quad \frac{d \ln T}{d \ln P} = \frac{\tau}{4 \left(\tau + \frac{2}{3} \right)} \Rightarrow \frac{d \ln T}{d \ln P} (max) = 1/4$$

$$\frac{d \ln T}{d \ln P} (max) < \frac{R}{C_p} \text{ for N}_2 \quad \frac{d \ln T}{d \ln P} (max) > \frac{R}{C_p} \text{ for CO}_2$$

Always stable

Potentially unstable

$$2) \quad \frac{d \ln T}{d \ln P} = \frac{\tau}{2 \left(\tau + \frac{2}{3} \right)} \Rightarrow \frac{d \ln T}{d \ln P} (max) = 1/2$$

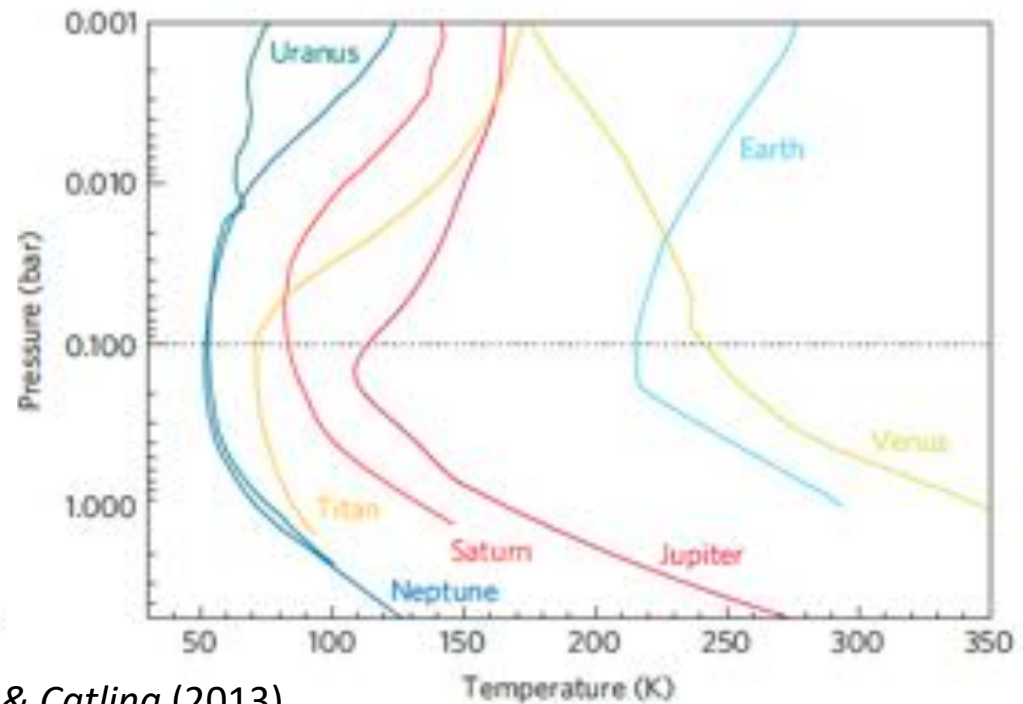
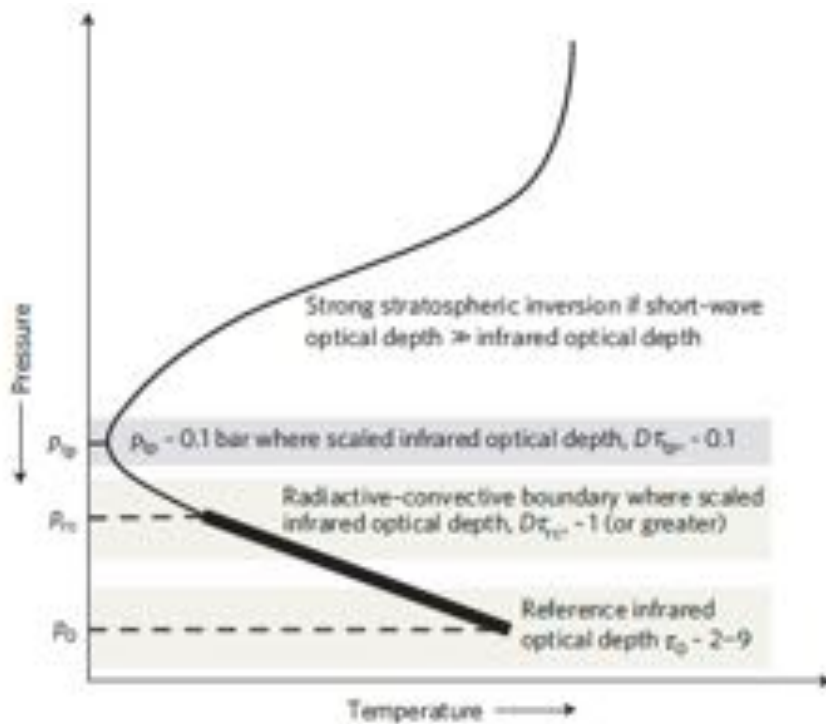
$$\frac{d \ln T}{d \ln P} (max) < \frac{R}{C_p} \text{ for N}_2 \text{ \& \& CO}_2 \Rightarrow \text{Convection for } \tau = 8/9 \text{ (N}_2) \text{ \& \& } 8/15 \text{ (CO}_2) \\ \tau \approx 1$$

II) Thermal structure

Tropopause & stratospheric thermal inversion

No analytical general solution to the radiative-convective TP profile

→ determination doing iterations



Robinson & Catling (2013)

Tropopause generally at 0.1 bar

III) Clouds & Aerosols

Cloud impact on planetary atmospheres

- Atmospheric composition/chemistry
- Radiative transfert (scattering & absorption)
- Atmospheric dynamics
- Temperature and climate



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Need for atmospheric models with clouds simulated properly and self-consistently



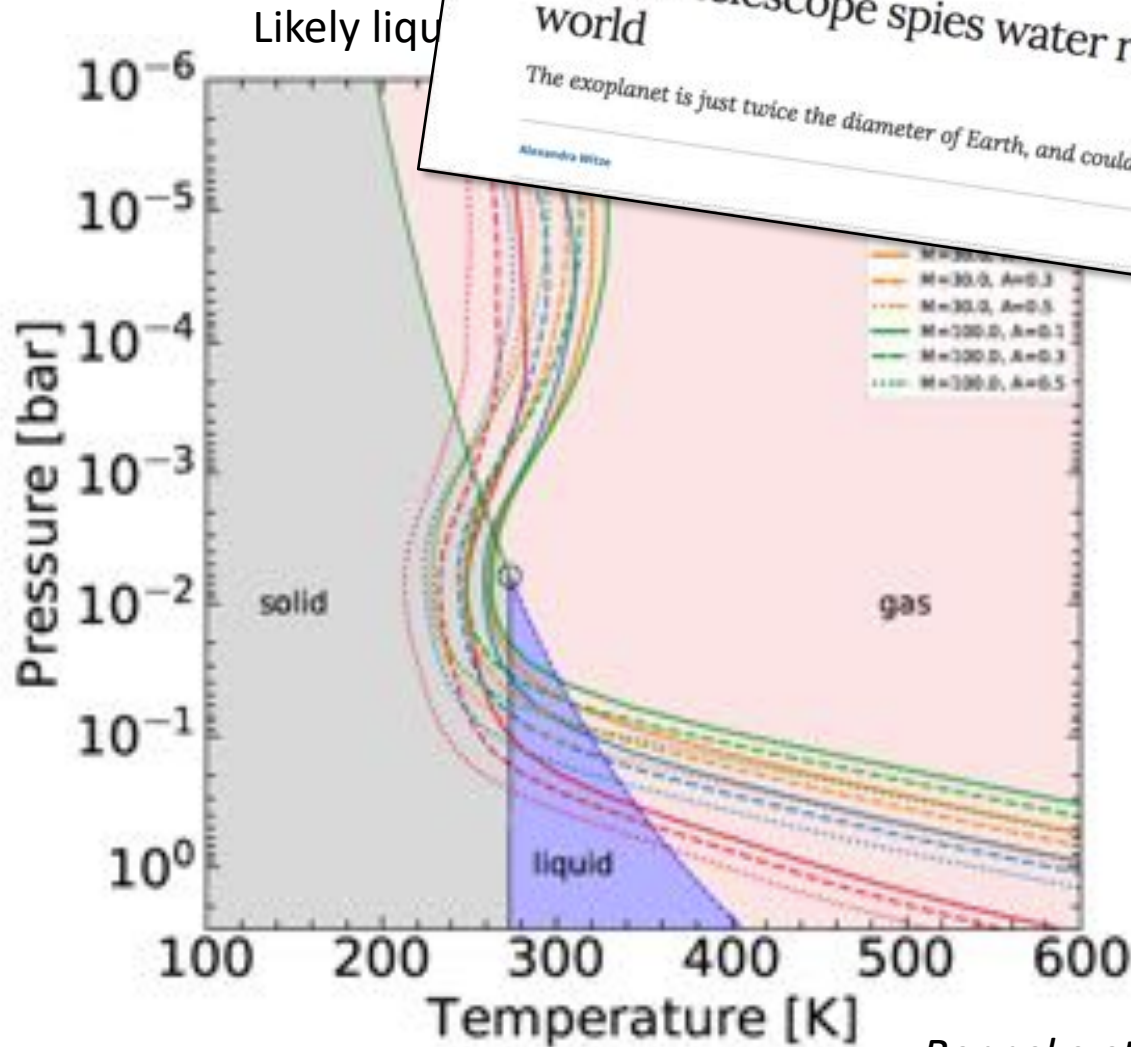
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Phase diagram



III) Clouds & Atmosphere

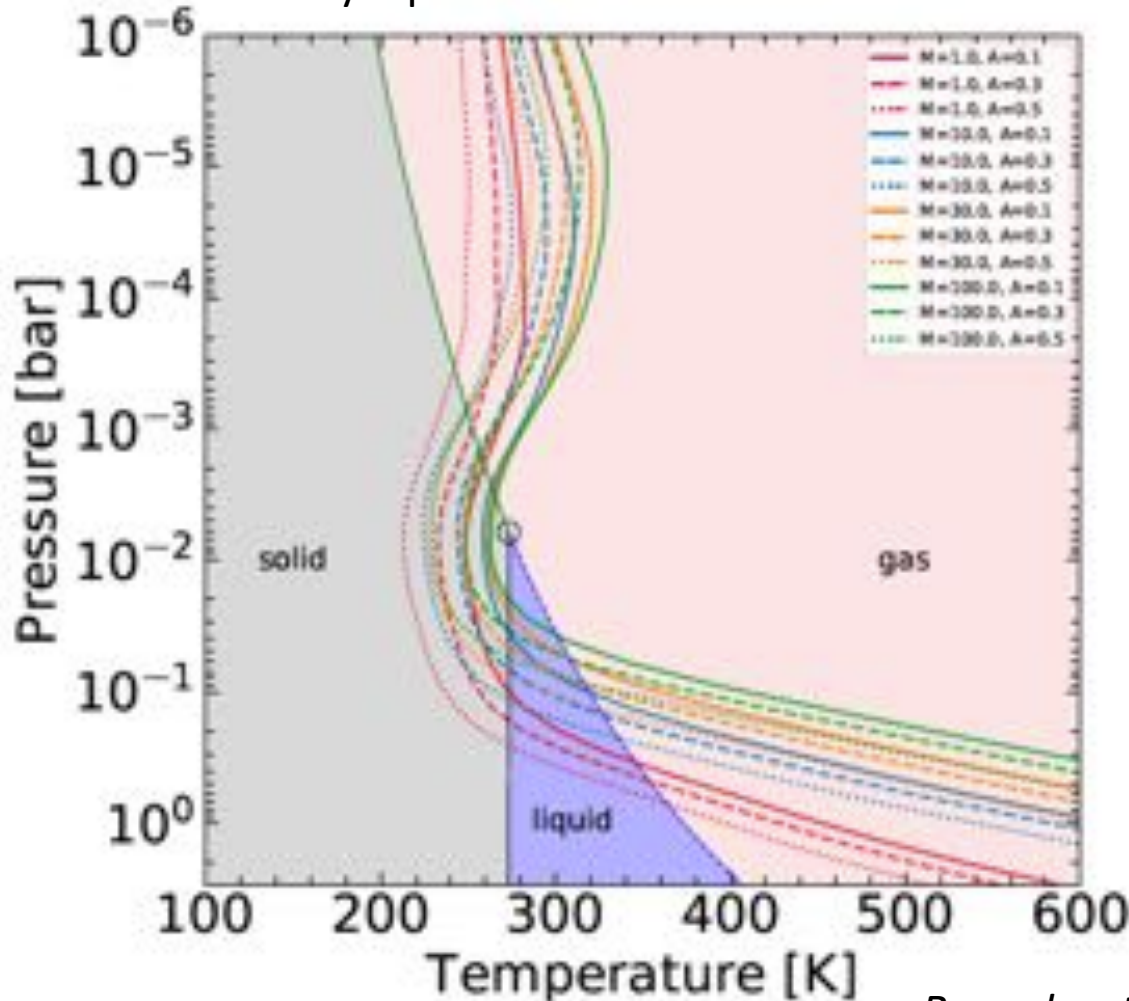
Phase diagram



Hum not so sure...

Transition gas → condensed phase
what matters is the partial pressure
not the total pressure

Likely liquid water clouds on K2-18b !!!



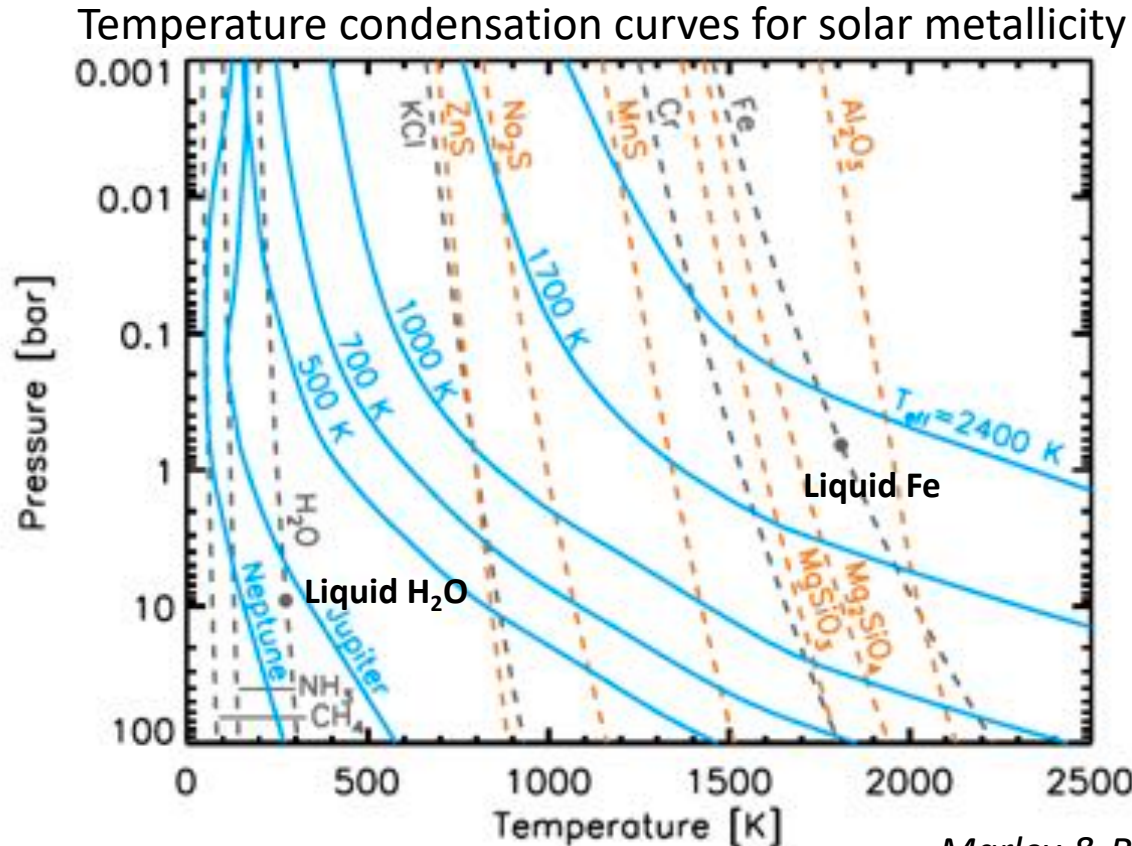
1xsolar: $P_{H_2O} \approx 10^{-3} P_{tot}$
100xsolar: $P_{H_2O} \approx 0.1 P_{tot}$



**No condensation or
just water ice for
these TP profiles !**

III) Clouds & Aerosols

Condensation curves



Marley & Robinson (2014)

Elemental abundances from *Lodders et al.* (2003)

Temperature condensation curves from *Visscher et al.* (2006, 2010)

Clausius-Clapeyron relation:

$$P_{sat} = P_{sat}(T_0) e^{-\frac{L}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_0} \right)}$$

III) Clouds & Aerosols

1D Cloud models

1) Model with f_{sed} from Ackerman & Marley 2001

At equilibrium :

$$\frac{\partial q_c}{\partial z} = - \frac{\partial q_s}{\partial z} - \frac{V_{sed}}{K_{zz}} q_c$$

- q_c = mass mixing ratio of condensate
- q_s = mass mixing ratio of vapor at saturation
- V_{sed} = sedimentation speed
- K_{zz} = eddy diffusion coefficient

Mixing length theory:

$$K_{zz} = \frac{H}{3} \left(\frac{L}{H} \right)^{4/3} \left(\frac{r F_{conv}}{c_p \rho_a} \right)^{1/3}$$

Ackerman & Marley 2001

- Mixing length: $L=H$
- $F_{conv} = \sigma T_{eff}^4$

Assumption: $f_{sed} = \frac{HV_{sed}}{K_{zz}} = \text{constant}$ (generally $f_{sed} = 1-5$)

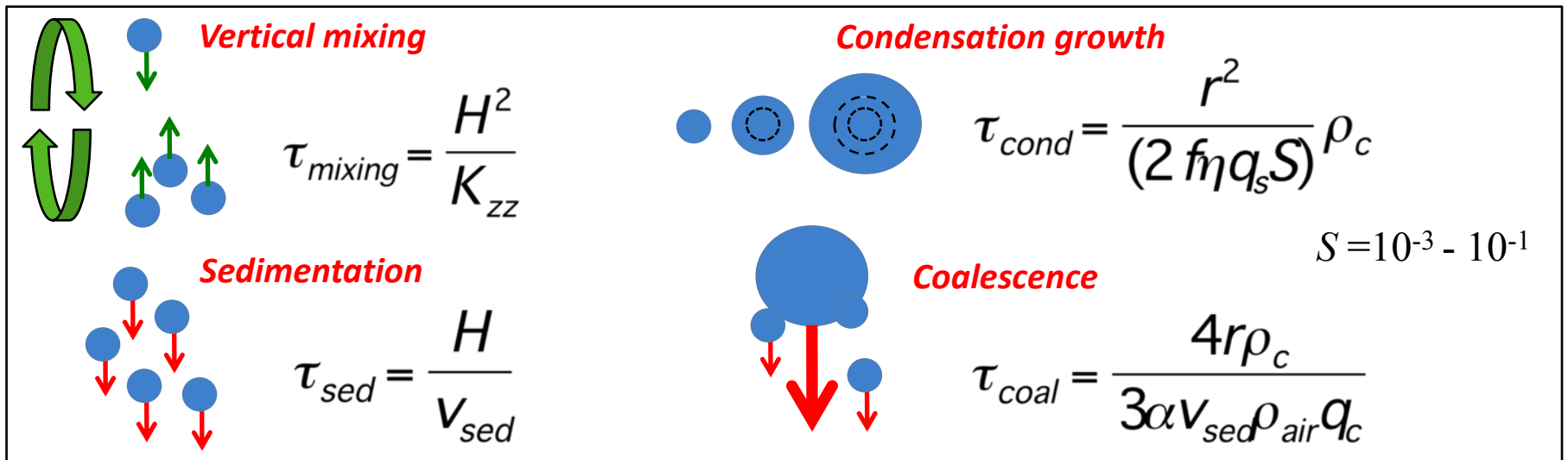
Above condensation: $q_c = q_{c0} \left(\frac{P}{P_0} \right)^{f_{sed}}$

III) Clouds & Aerosols

1D Cloud models

2) Model with simple microphysics using timescales from Rossow 1978

e.g. BT-Settl (*Allard et al.* 2001) and Exo-REM (*Charnay et al.* 2018)

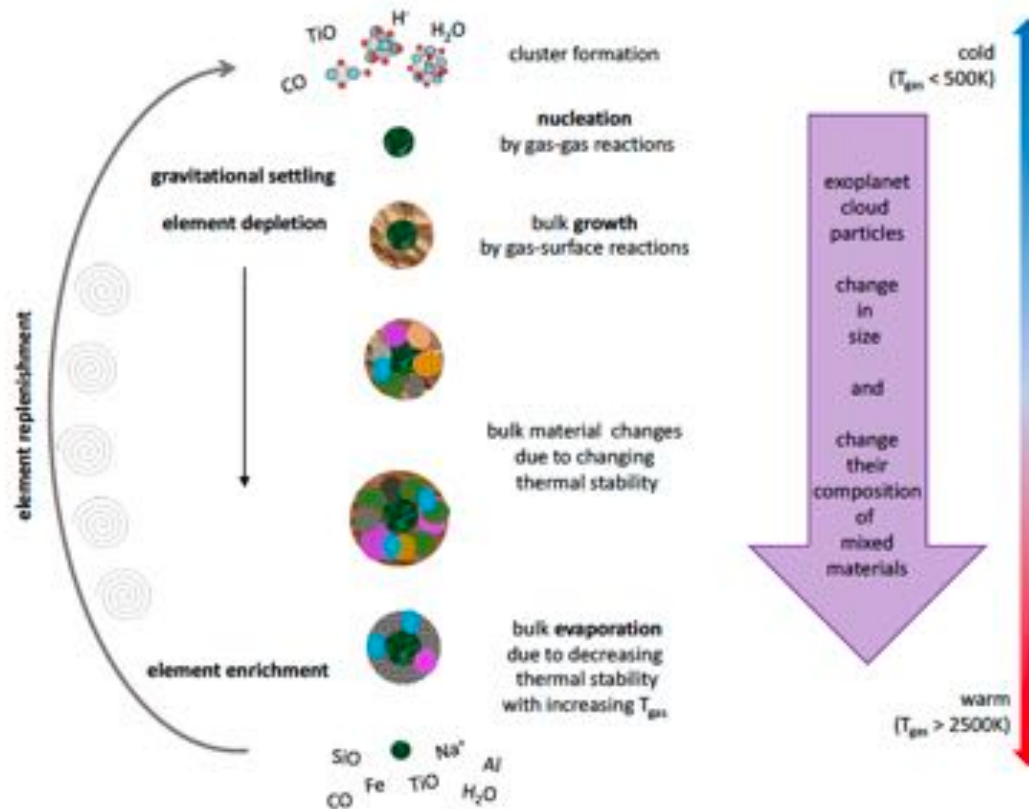


III) Clouds & Aerosols

1D Cloud models

3) Models with full microphysics

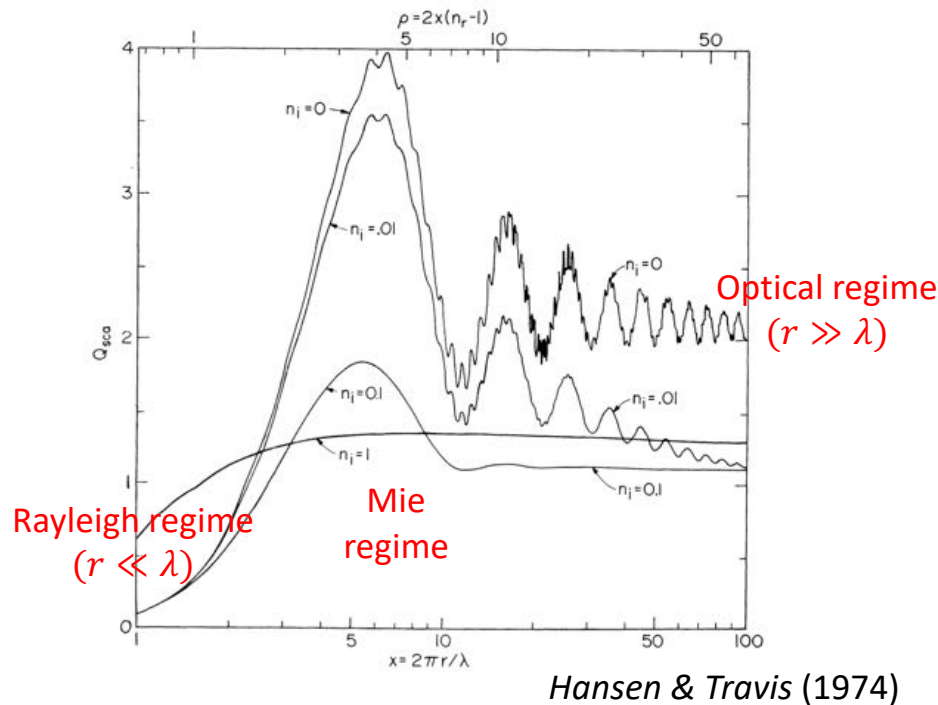
e.g. Drift-Phoenix (*Woitke & Helling 2003*)



III) Clouds & Aerosols

Opacity

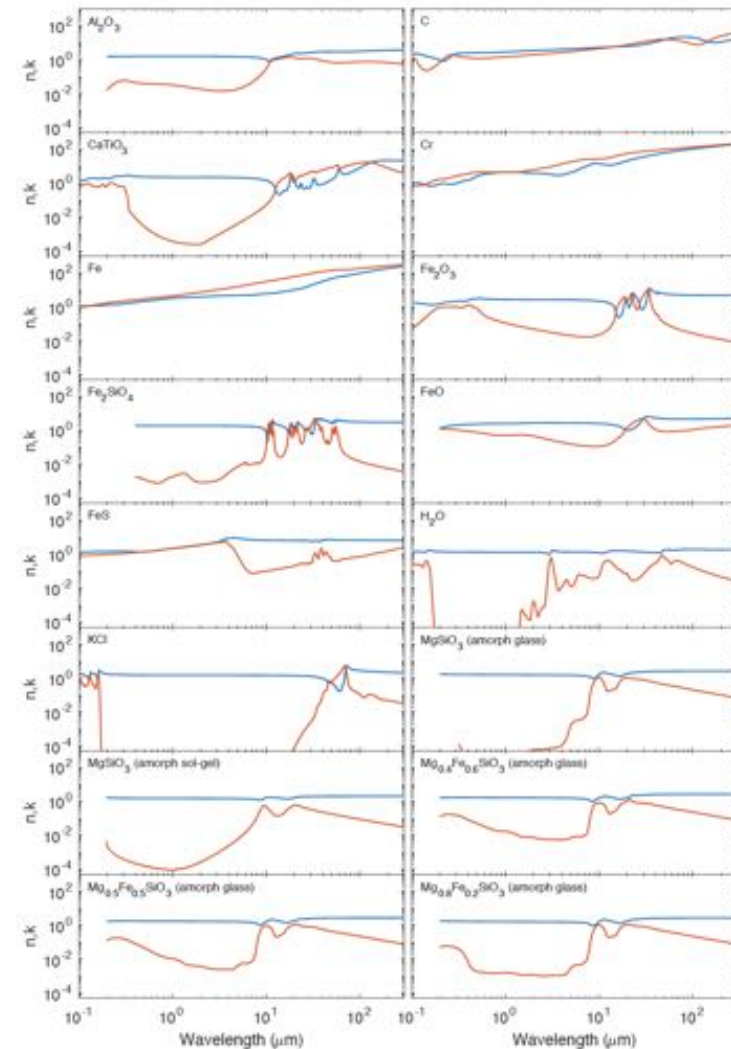
We usually compute aerosol optical properties ($Q_{\text{ext}} = \sigma_{\text{ext}} / \pi r^2$, ω_0 , g) from Mie Theory with optical indexes and assuming spherical particles



Cloud optical depth: $\tau_c = \frac{3 Q_{\text{ext}} w}{4 \rho r_e}$

w : mass column
 ρ : volumic mass
 r_e : effective radius

Optical indexes
(Kitzmann et al. 2017)



III) Clouds & Aerosols

Radiative effects

1) Scattering of stellar radiation

→ surface cooling by albedo effect

Cloud albedo for pure scattering cloud ($\omega_0 \rightarrow 1$) using the two-stream approximation:

$$A_c = \frac{\sqrt{3}(1 - gc)\tau_c}{2 + \sqrt{3}(1 - gc)\tau_c} \quad \text{Hansen \& Lacis (1974)}$$

2) Absorption of stellar flux

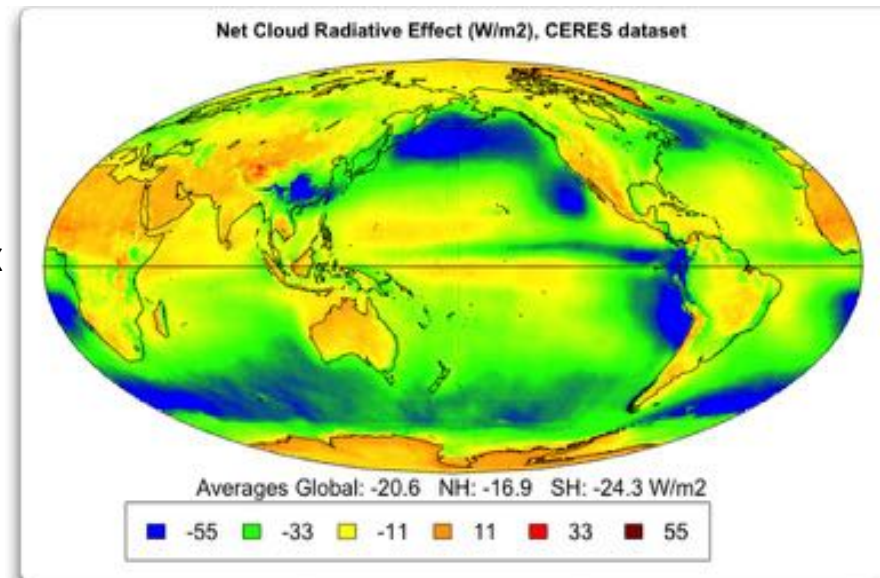
→ local warming & surface cooling (anti-greenhouse effect, e.g. Titan's haze)

3) Absorption/emission of thermal radiation

→ surface warming by greenhouse effect

- Stronger effect for upper clouds (e.g. cirrus)
- Same effect for back-scattering of thermal flux

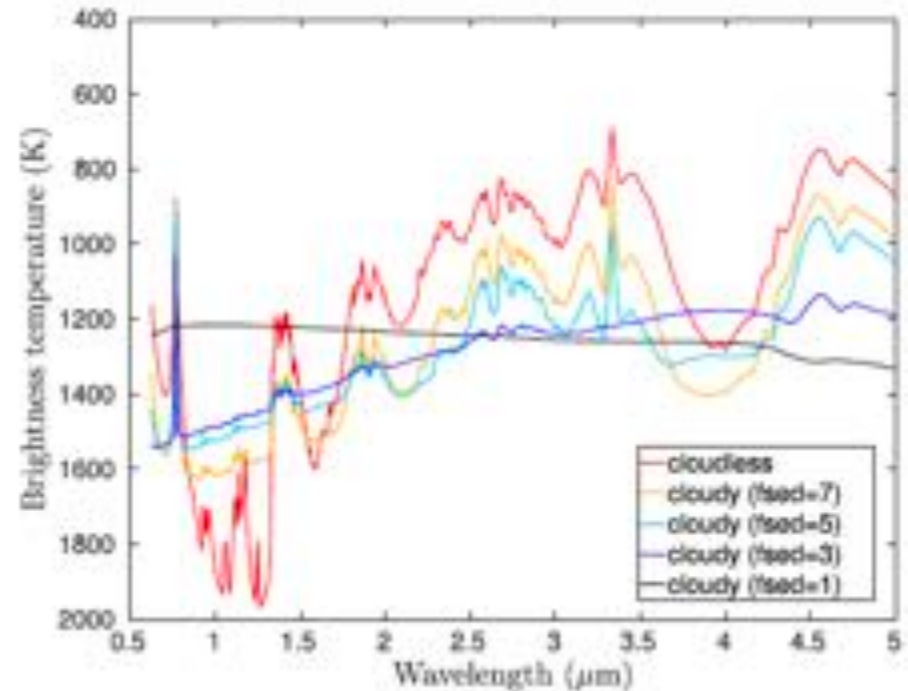
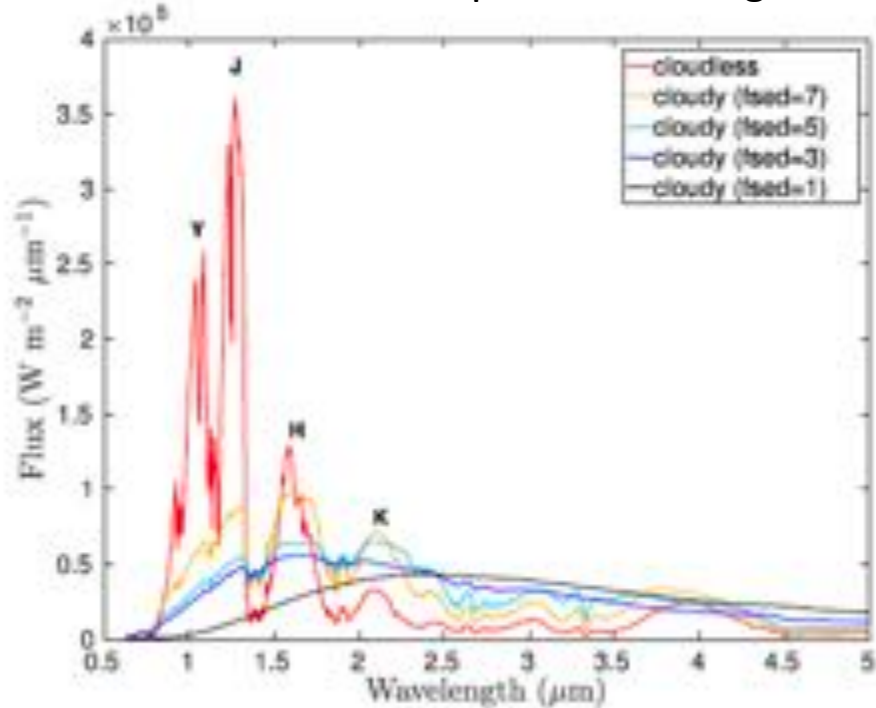
On Earth, clouds globally have
a net cooling effect



III) Clouds & Aerosols

Radiative effects: absorption/emission of thermal radiation

Emission spectra and brightness temperature ($T_{\text{eff}}=1300\text{K}$, $\log(g)=5$)



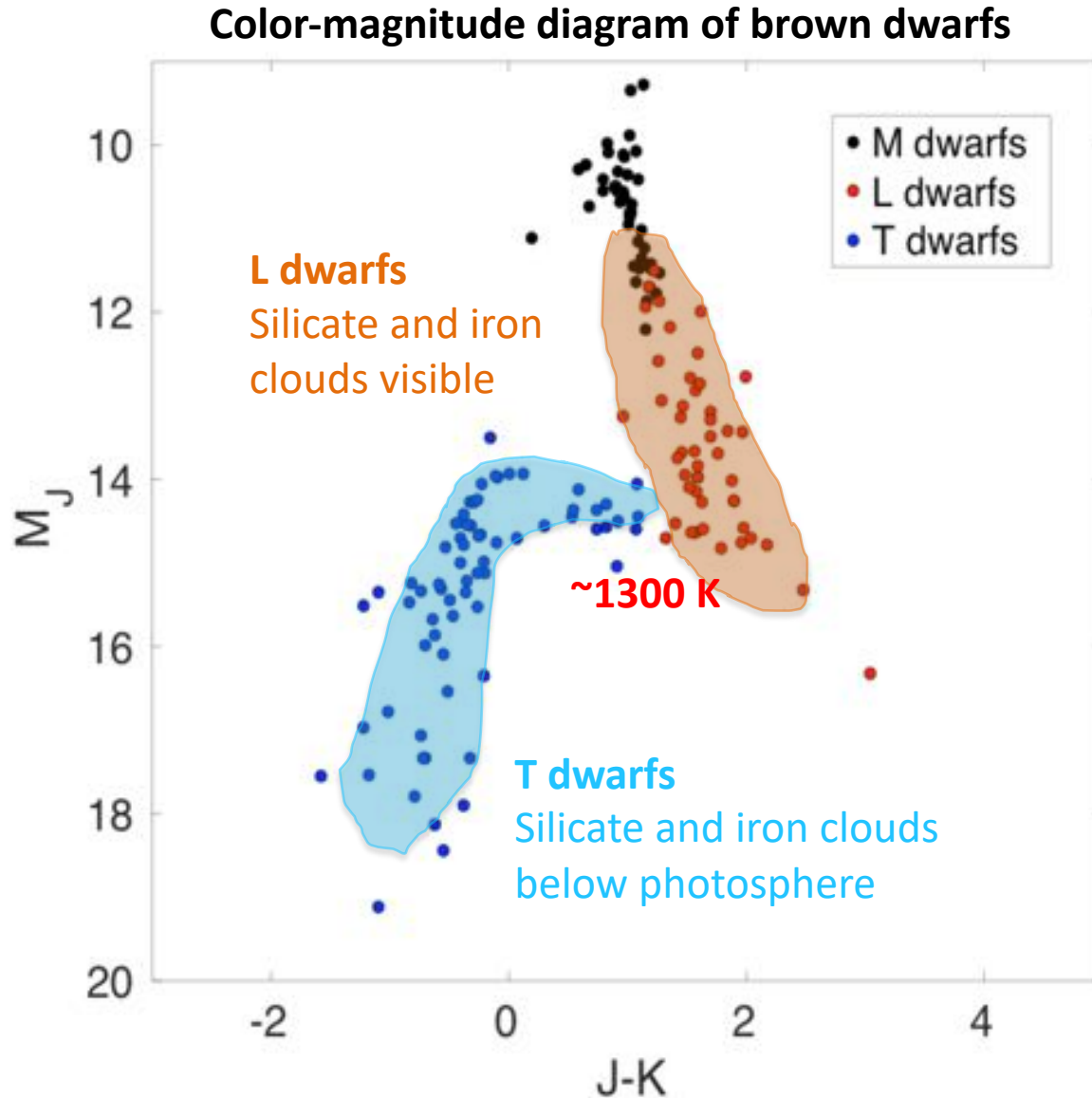
Charnay et al. (2018)



- Clouds produce a decrease of flux in spectral windows and an increase in spectral bands (greenhouse warming).
- With thick clouds, spectrum close to a blackbody

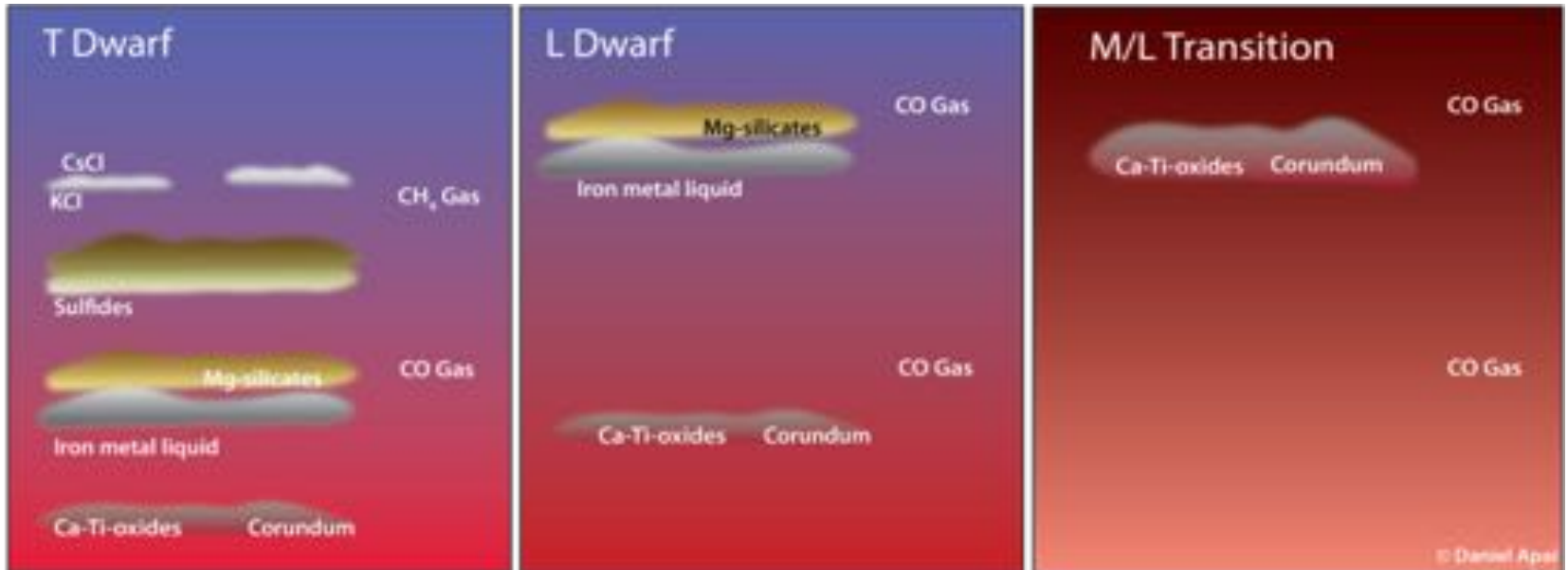
III) Clouds & Aerosols

LT transition for brown dwarfs



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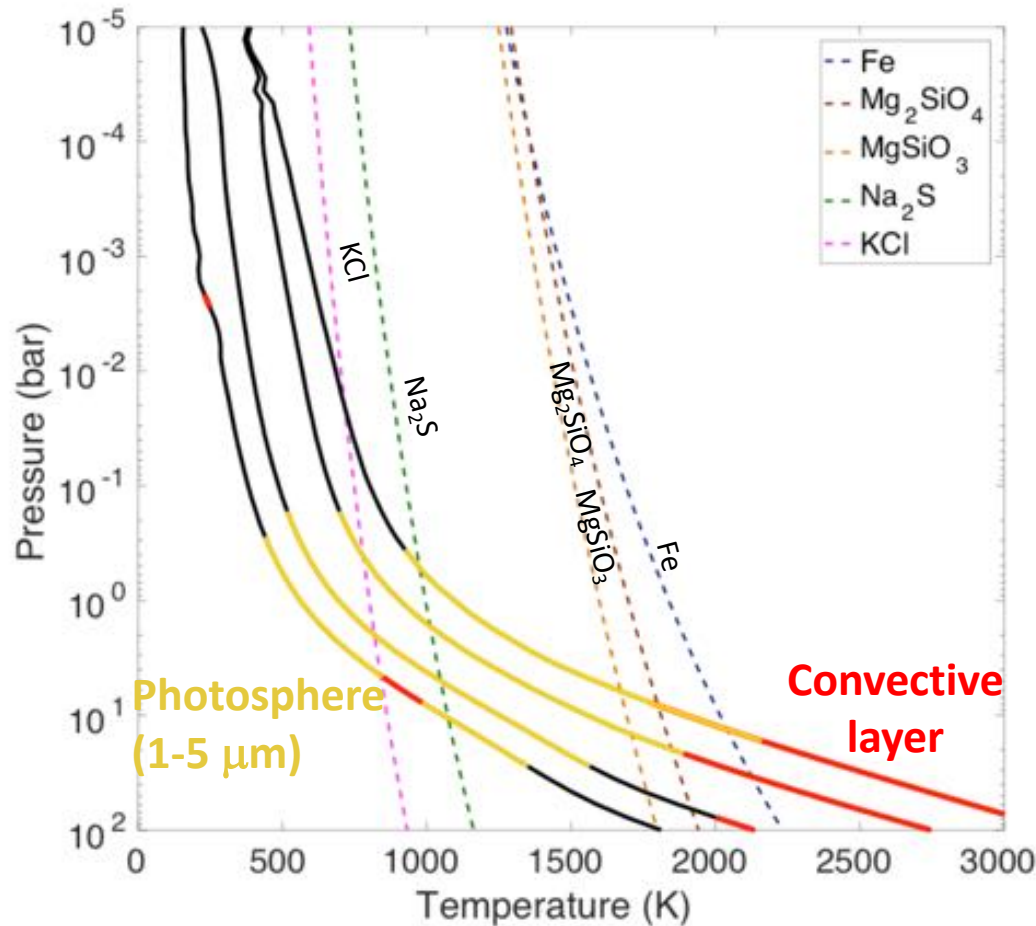
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LT transition for brown dwarfs

$T_{\text{eff}} = 700/900/1300/1600 \text{ K}$, $\log(g) = 5$ (g in cm/s^2)

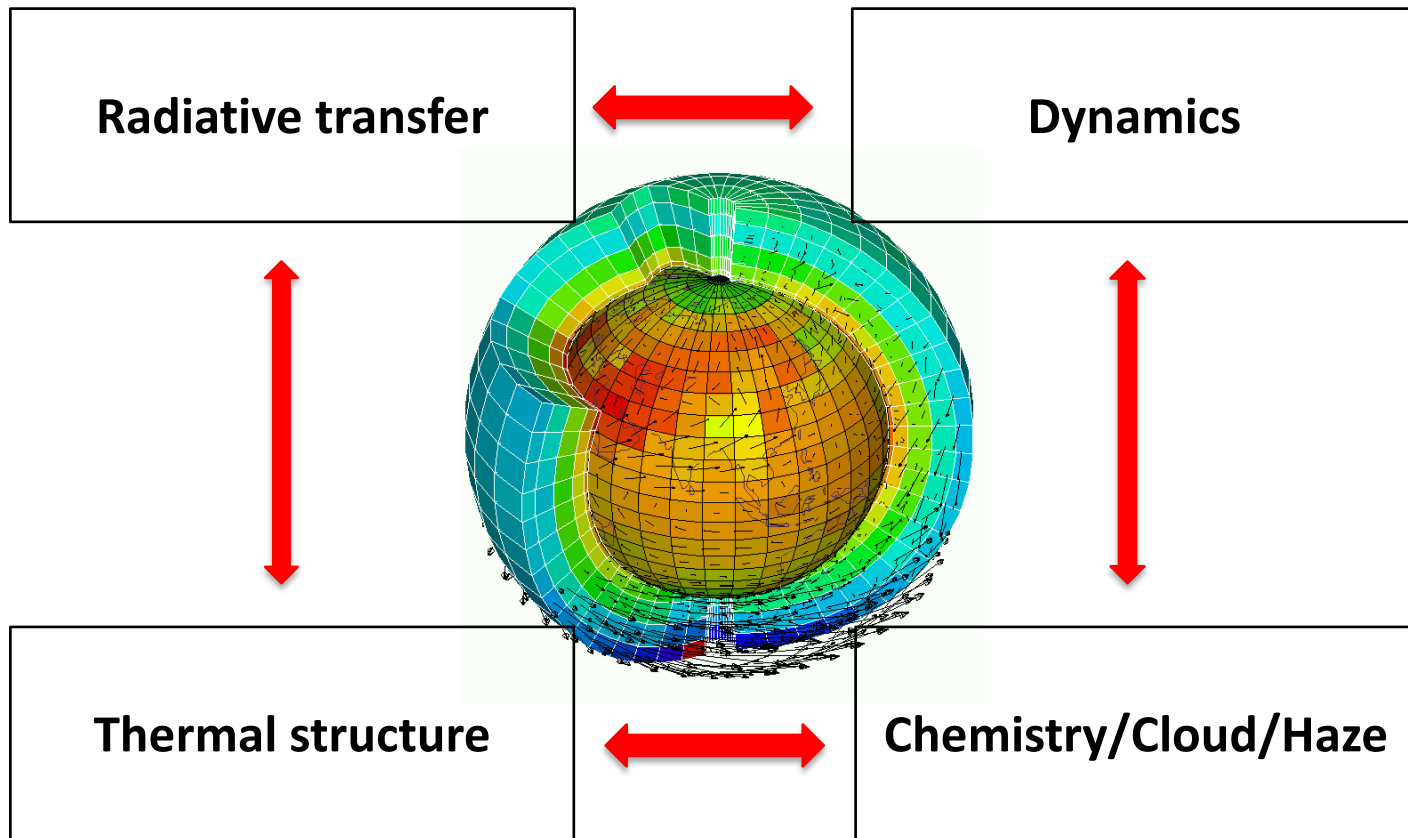


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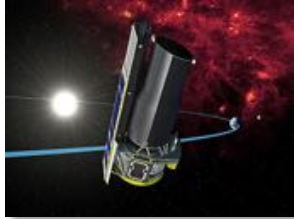
Cloud below photosphere for $T_{\text{eff}} < 1300 \text{ K}$
 \Rightarrow LT transition

What's next

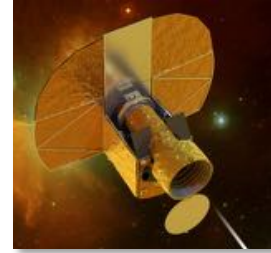
For strongly irradiated exoplanets, we need 3D GCM !



Current and future space telescopes for exoplanets



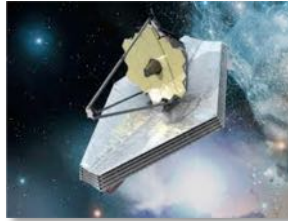
- **Spitzer**
Photometry (3.6, 4.5 μm)



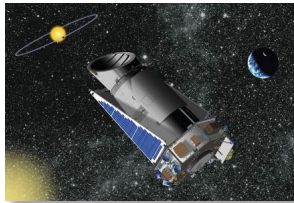
- **CHEOPS** (2019)
Photometry (0.4 - 1 μm)



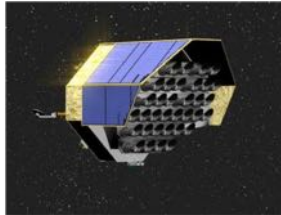
- **HST**
Spectroscopy (1.1 - 1.7 μm)



- **JWST** (2021)
Spectroscopy
(NIRISS, NIRSpec & MIRI)



- **Kepler**
Photometry (0.4 - 0.9 μm)



- **PLATO** (2026)
Photometry (0.5 - 1 μm)



- **TESS**
Photometry (0.6 - 1 μm)



- **ARIEL** (2028)
Photometry (0.5 - 0.95 μm)
Spectroscopy (0.95 - 7.95 μm)

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