

# Extrasolar Planets

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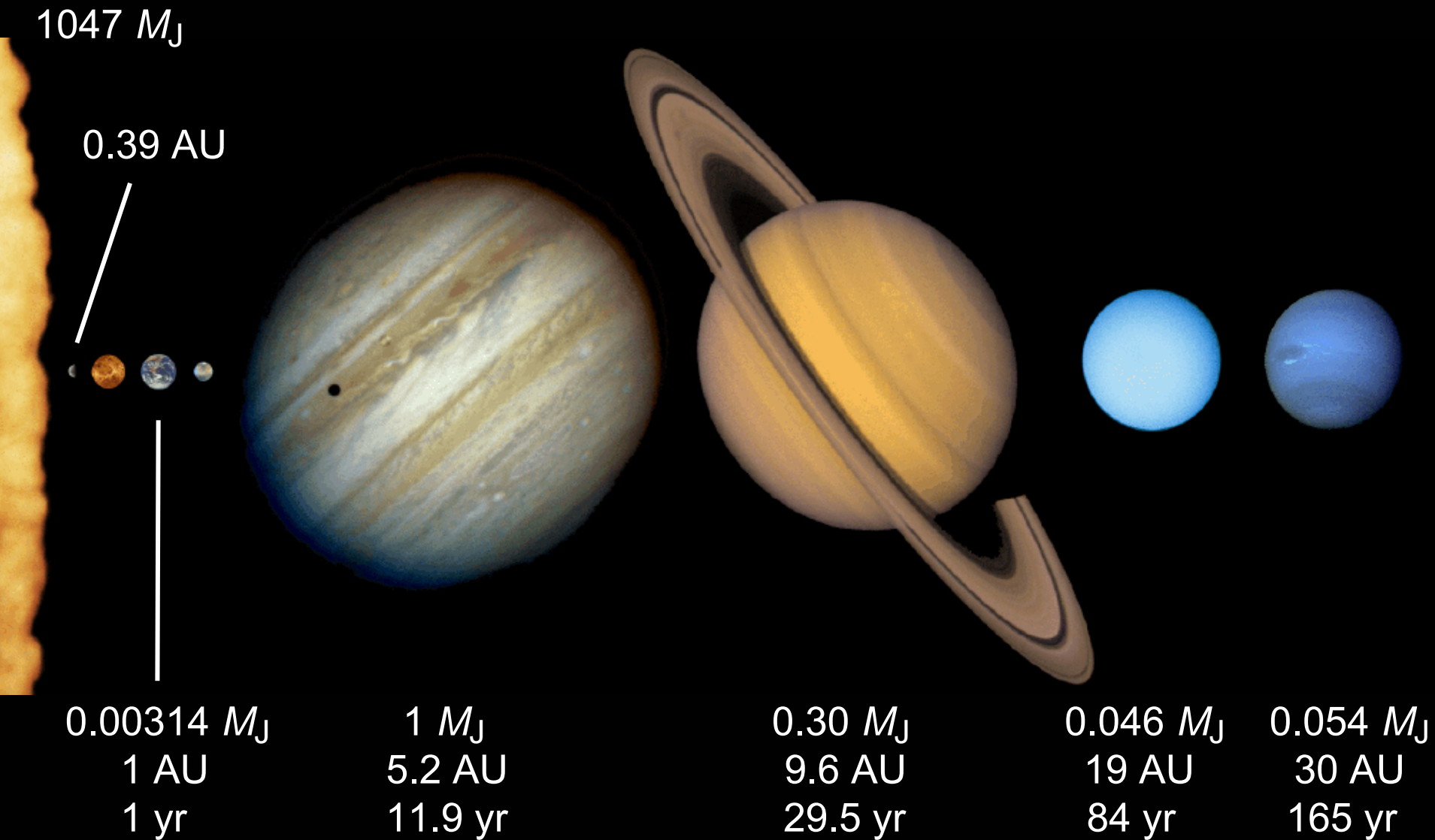
# Outline

- Historical Overview
- Detection Methods
- Planet Statistics
- Formation of Planets
- Physical Properties
- Habitability

# Historical overview

- 1989: planet / brown dwarf orbiting HD 114762 (Latham et al.)
- 1992: two planets orbiting pulsar PSR B1257+12 (Wolszczan & Frail)
- 1995: first planet around a solar-like star 51 Peg b (Mayor & Queloz)
- 1999: first multiple planetary system with three planets Ups And (Edgar et al.)
- 2000: first planet by transit method HD 209458 b (Charbonneau et al.)
- 2001: atmosphere of HD 209458 b (Charbonneau et al.)
- 2002: astrometry applied to Gliese 876 (Benedict et al.)
- 2005: first planet by direct imaging GQ Lupi b (Neuhäuser et al.)
- 2006: Earth-like planet by gravitational microlensing (Beaulieu et al.)
- 2007: Gliese 581d, small exoplanet near habitability zone (Selsis et al.)
- 2009: Gliese 581e, smallest exoplanet with 1.9 Earth masses (Mayor et al.)
- As of 7 June 2009: 349 exoplanets in 296 systems  
(25 systems with 2 planets, 9 with 3, 2 with 4 and 1 with 5)

# Our Solar System



# Definition Planet

## IAU 2006:

- in orbit around the Sun / star
- nearly spherical shape / sufficient mass for hydrostatic equilib.
- cleared neighbourhood around its orbit

## Pluto: dwarf planet, as Ceres

## Brown dwarf:

- masses between  $14 M_J$  and  $80 M_J$  ( $= 0.08 M_{\odot}$ )
- fully convective, no hydrogen fusion, but deuterium fusion
- $M < 14 M_J$  : planet,  $M > 80 M_J$  : star (red dwarf)

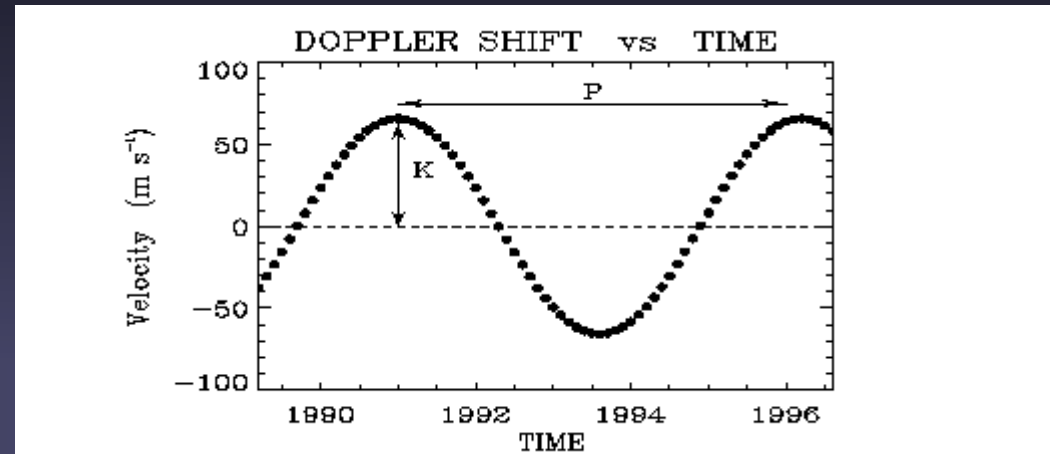
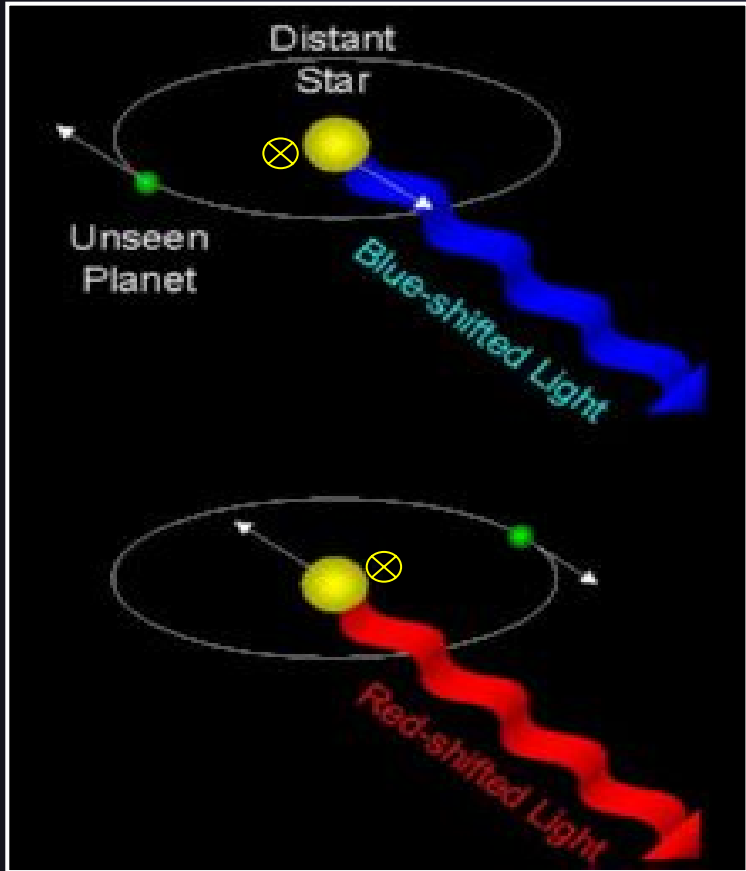


# How can we detect extrasolar planets around main sequence stars?

## The main detection methods:

- Radial velocity method
- Astrometry
- Transit method
- Gravitational microlensing
- Direct imaging

# Radial velocity method

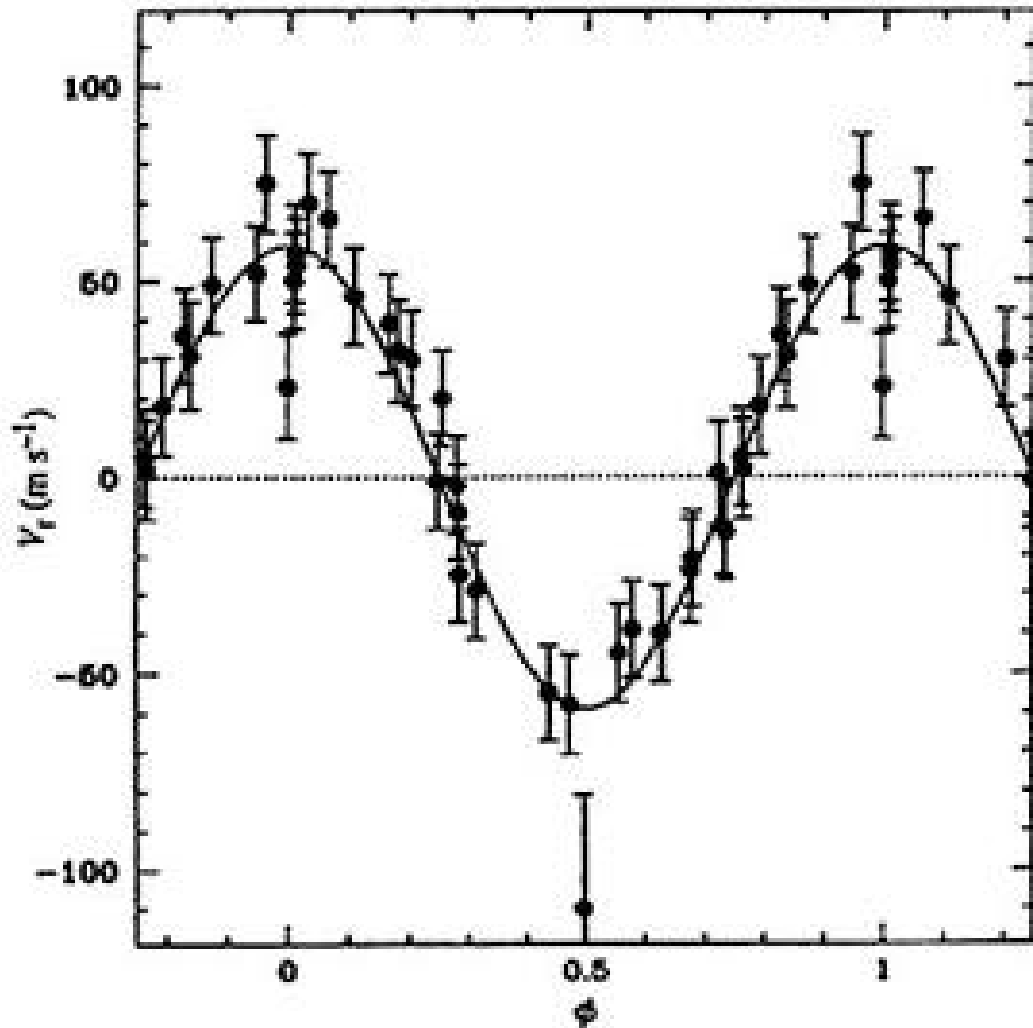


$$\Delta\lambda / \lambda = v_r / c = v_S \sin i / c$$

$$\frac{a_p^3}{P^2} = \frac{GM_S}{4\pi^2} \quad \begin{array}{l} M_p \ll M_S \\ a_p \gg a_S \end{array}$$

$$a_S M_S = a_p M_p \quad a_S = \frac{P v_S}{2\pi} \quad M_p \sin i = v_r \left( \frac{M_S^2 P}{2\pi G} \right)^{1/3}$$

# 51 Peg b



detected 1995 by  
Mayor & Queloz and  
Marcy & Butler

**51 Peg:**

G2IV,  $V = 5.5$ , 15 pc

**51 Peg b:**

$P = 4.23$  d

$a = 0.05$  AU

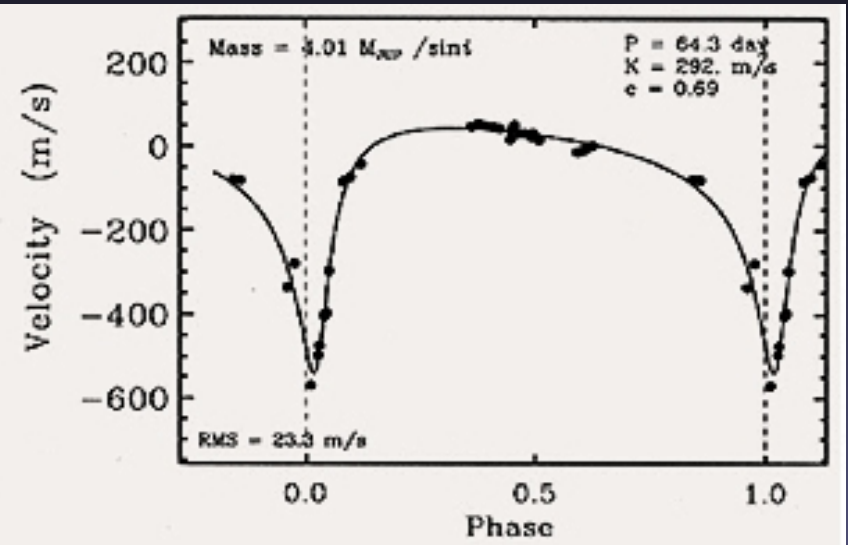
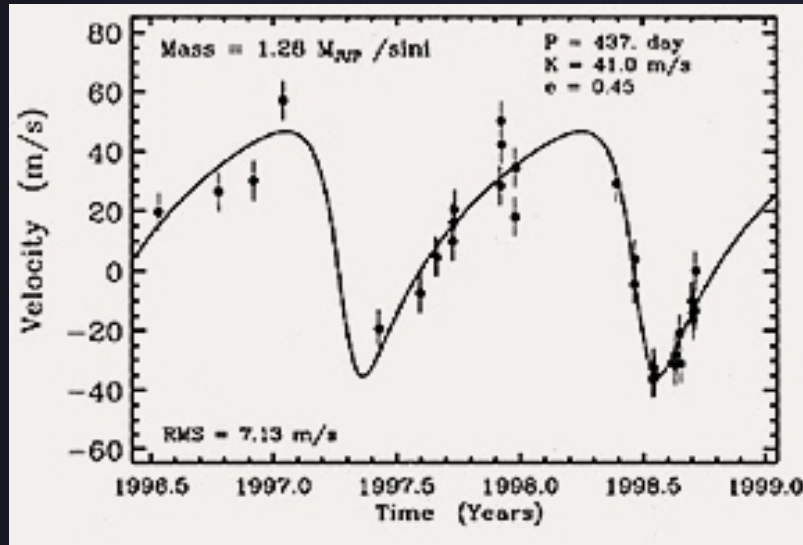
$M \sin i = 0.47 M_J$



# Pegasus



## Third parameter: eccentricity



## Detection limit:

51 Peg b:  $v_r \sim 50$  m/s

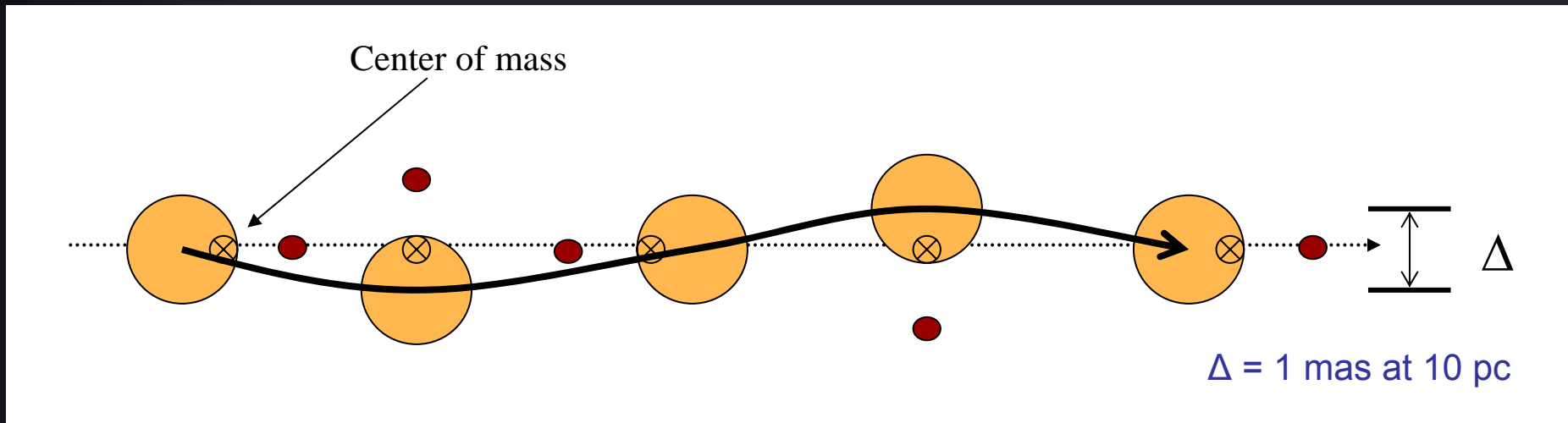
today:  $\lambda/\Delta\lambda \sim 10^8 \longrightarrow v_r \sim 3$  m/s

theoretical:  $v_r \sim 1$  m/s (effect of star spots)

in comparison: Jupiter around Sun: 12.5 m/s

Earth 0.05 m/s

# Astrometry

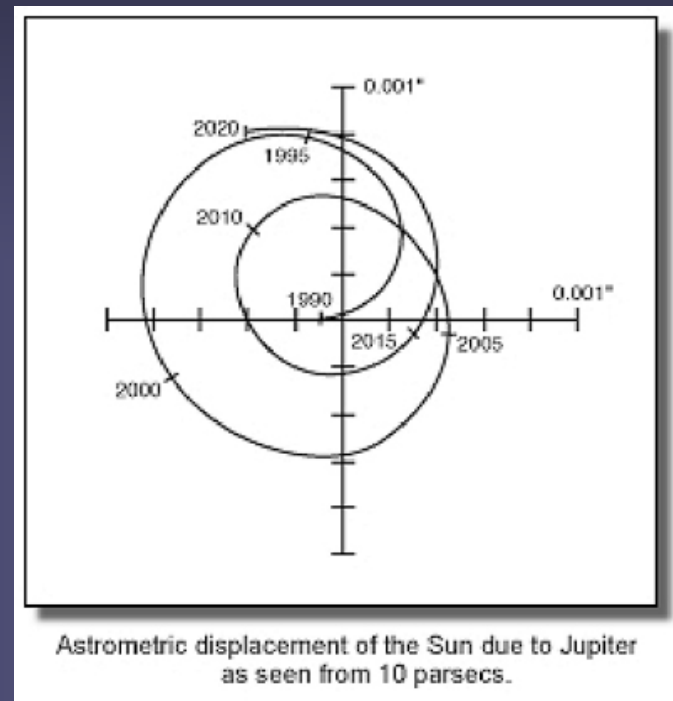
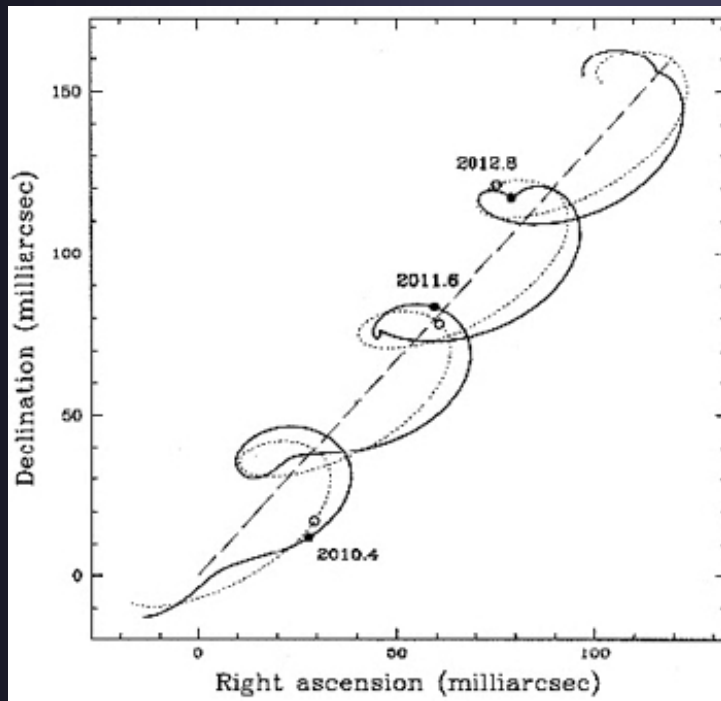


## Measurement of the spatial wobble of the star around the center of mass

- $\Delta = (M_P/M_S)(a_P/d)$ : near stars, large orbital distances
- current resolution: 1-2 mas (from ground), 0.1 mas (HST)
- **example: Gliese 876 b (Benedict et al. 2002)**
- in future: Gaia (ESA Mission)

## Simulations:

- star in 50 pc, planet with  $15 M_J$ ,  $a = 0.06$  AU,  $e = 0.2$ , proper motion of 50 mas/yr
- motion of Sun in 10 pc distance

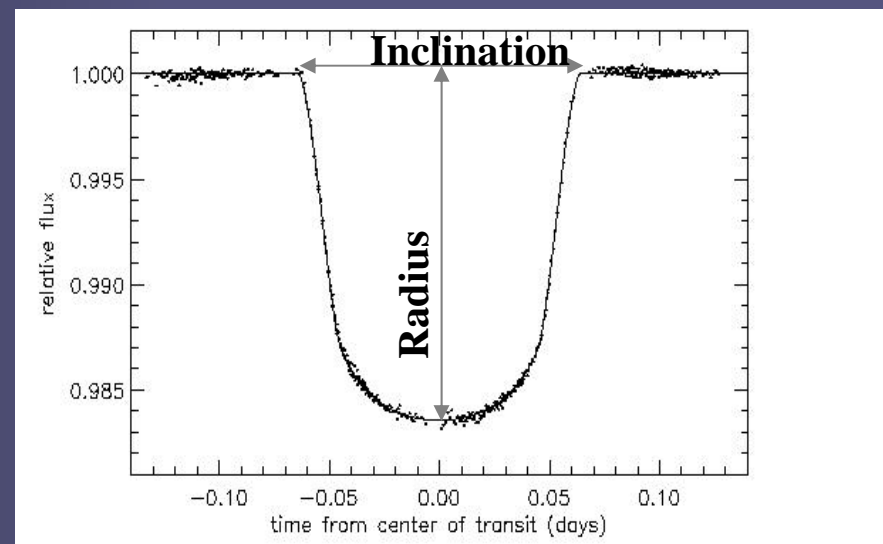
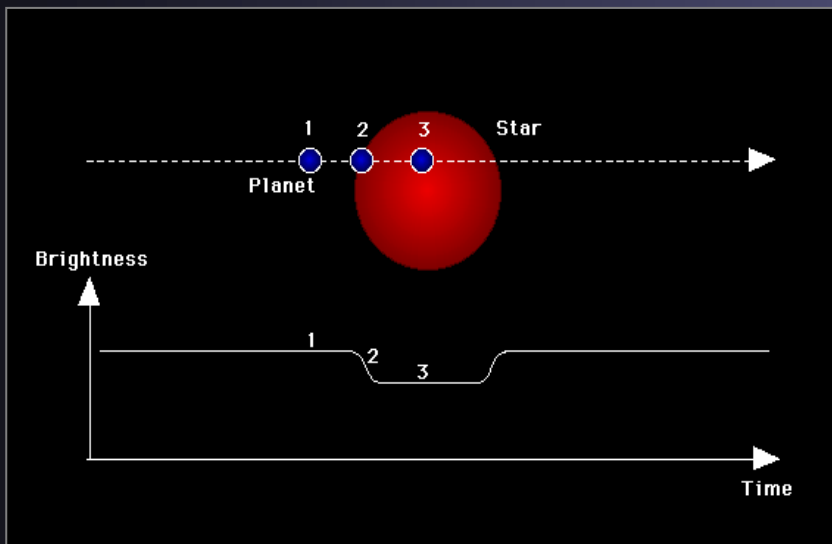
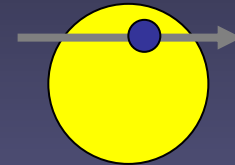
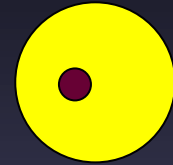


- measurement of two velocity components  
→ determination of true mass independent of  $\sin i$



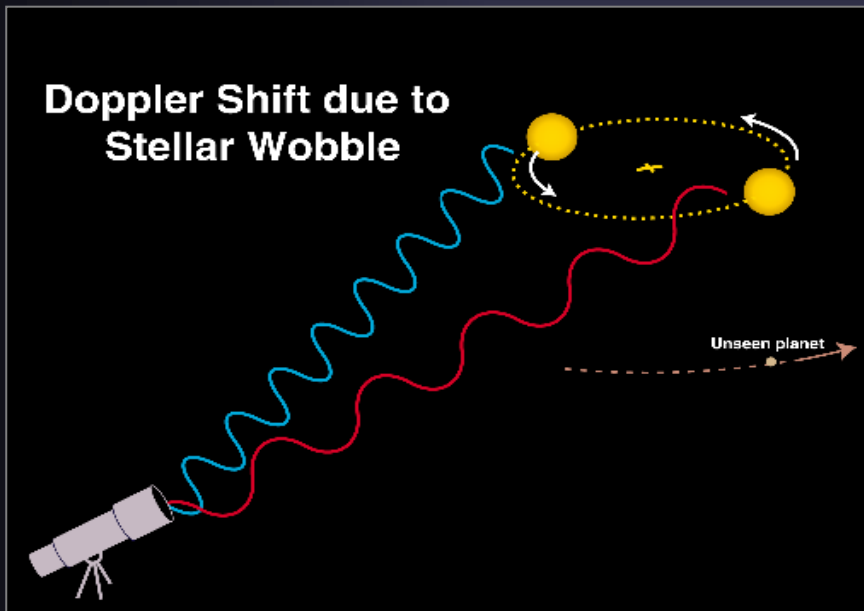
# Transit method

- amplitude:  $\Delta I / I \sim R_p^2 / R_s^2$   
Jupiter:  $\sim 1\%$ , Erde:  $\sim 0.01\%$
- probability:  $R_s / a_p$
- period: orbital period, distance from star
- transit duration: inclination of orbit,  $i \sim 90^\circ$
- HD 209458 b (Charbonneau et al. 2000)

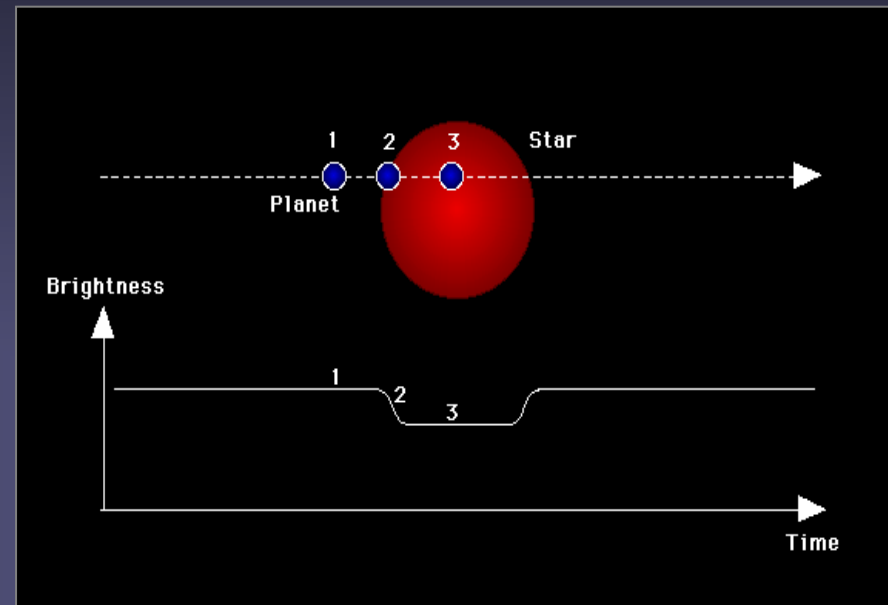




# Combination of radial velocity and transit method



$M \sin i$

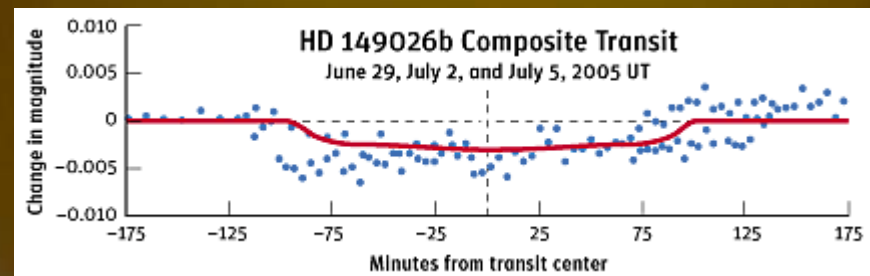


$i, R$

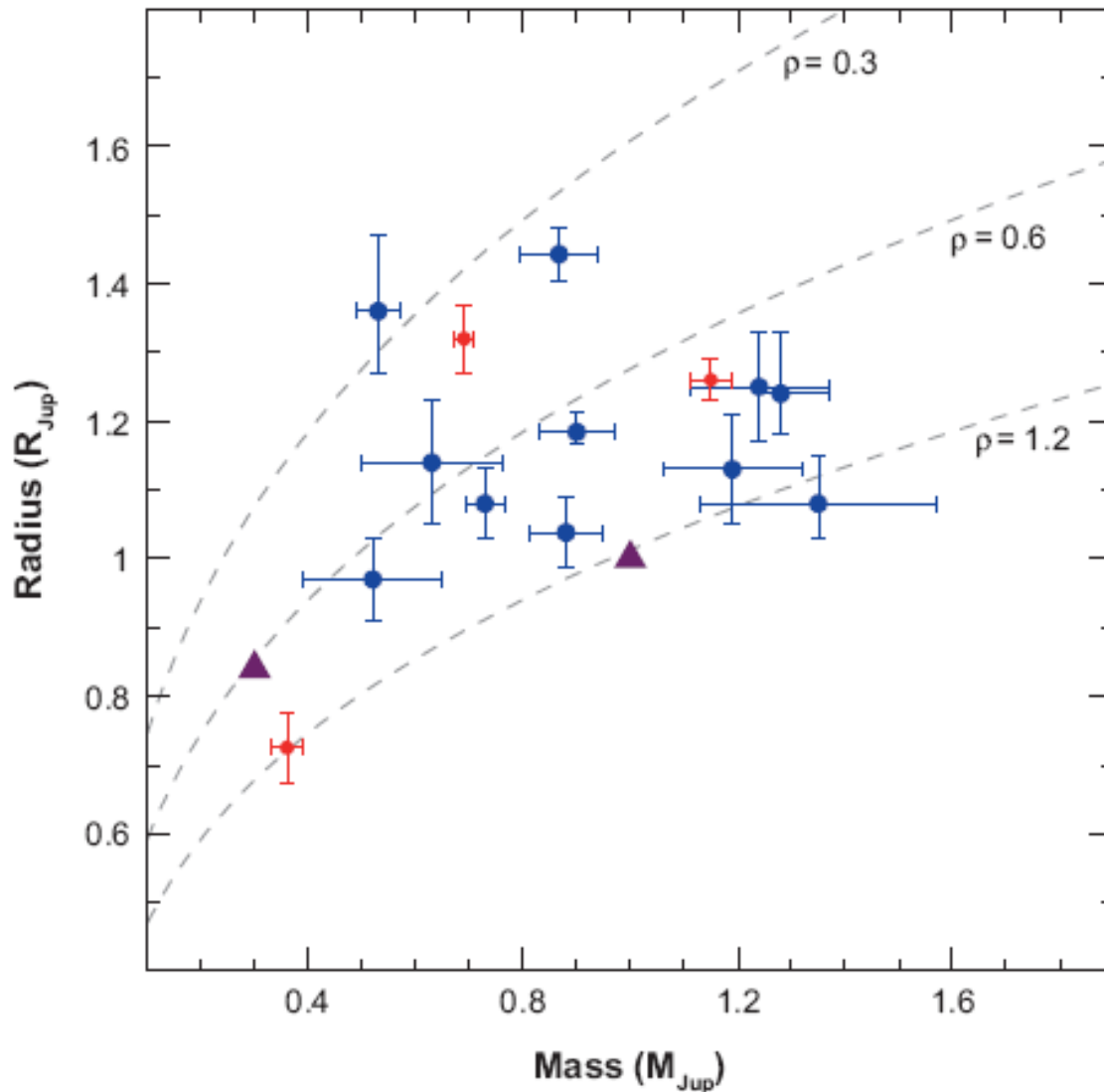
**combined:**  $M$ , mean  $\rho$

# HD 149026 b

- discovered with RV by Sato et al. (2005)
- transit by amateur astronomer Bissinger (2005)
- $\Delta m = 0.003$  mag !
- $P = 2.88$  d
- $a = 0.042$  AU
- $M = 0.36 M_J$
- $R = 0.72 R_J$
- $T_{\text{eff}} = 2300 \pm 200$  K



# Mass - Radius - Diagram



red: planets detected  
by RV method

blue: planets by  
transit method

triangles: Jupiter  
Saturn

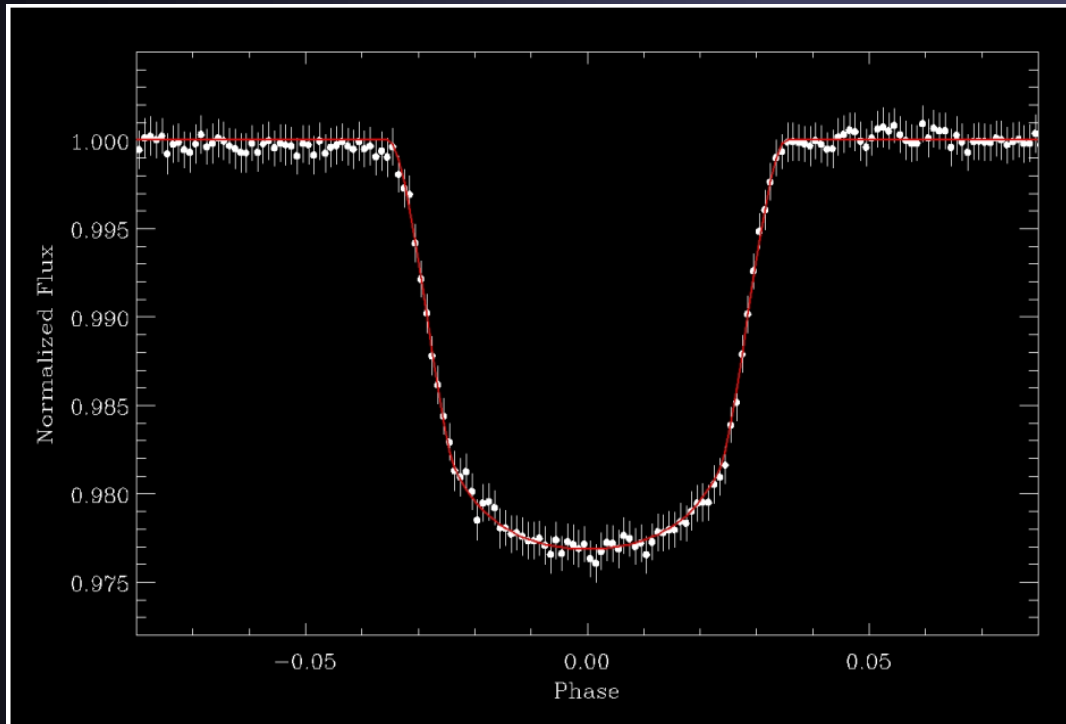
(Udry & Santos 2007)

# CoRoT mission

French satellite with 27cm telescope and CCD camera with  $2.8^\circ \times 2.8^\circ$  field-of-view

**Goal:** Detection of terrestrial planets on close-in orbits

CoRoT-Exo-1b

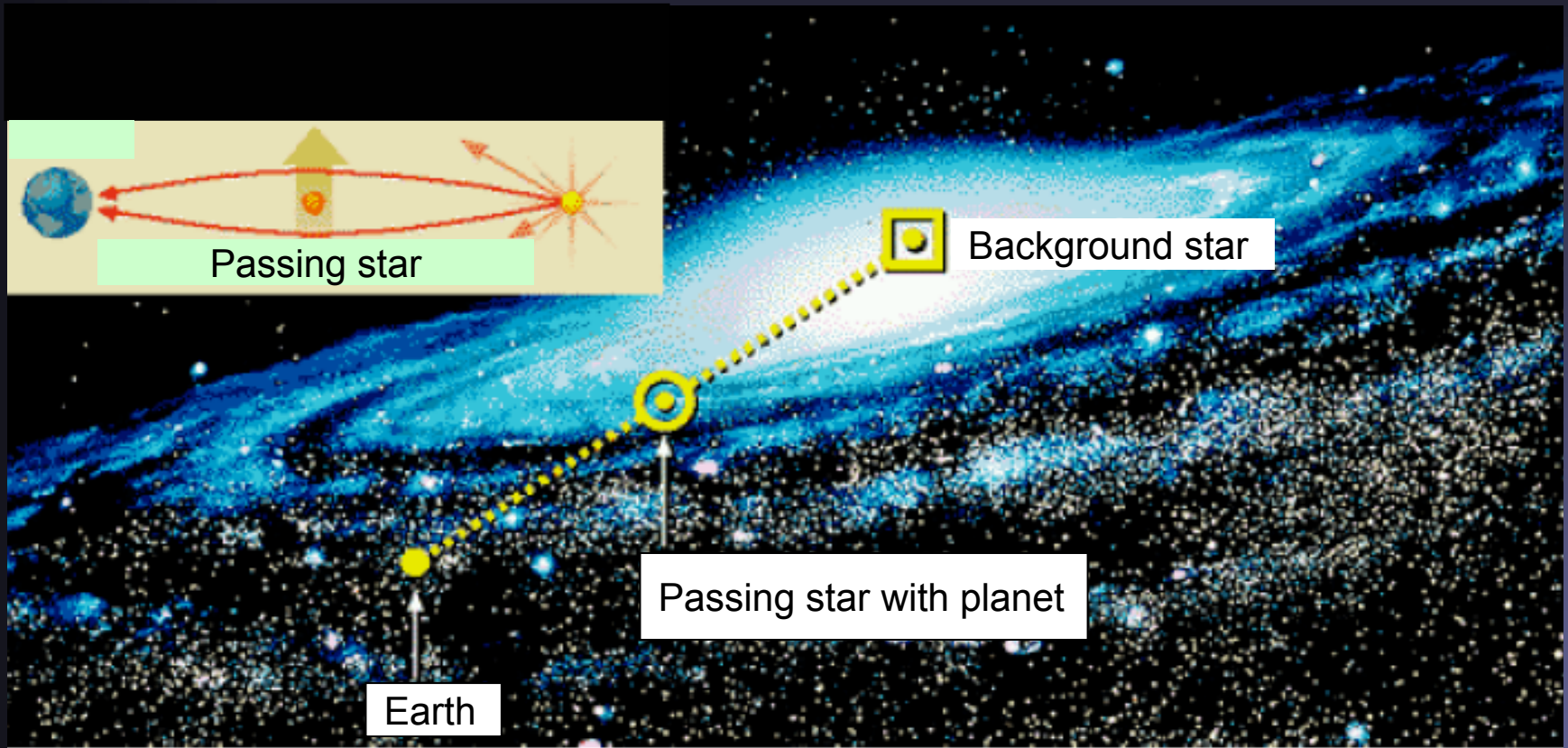


(Barge et al. 2007)



Launch: 27 December 2006

# Gravitational microlensing

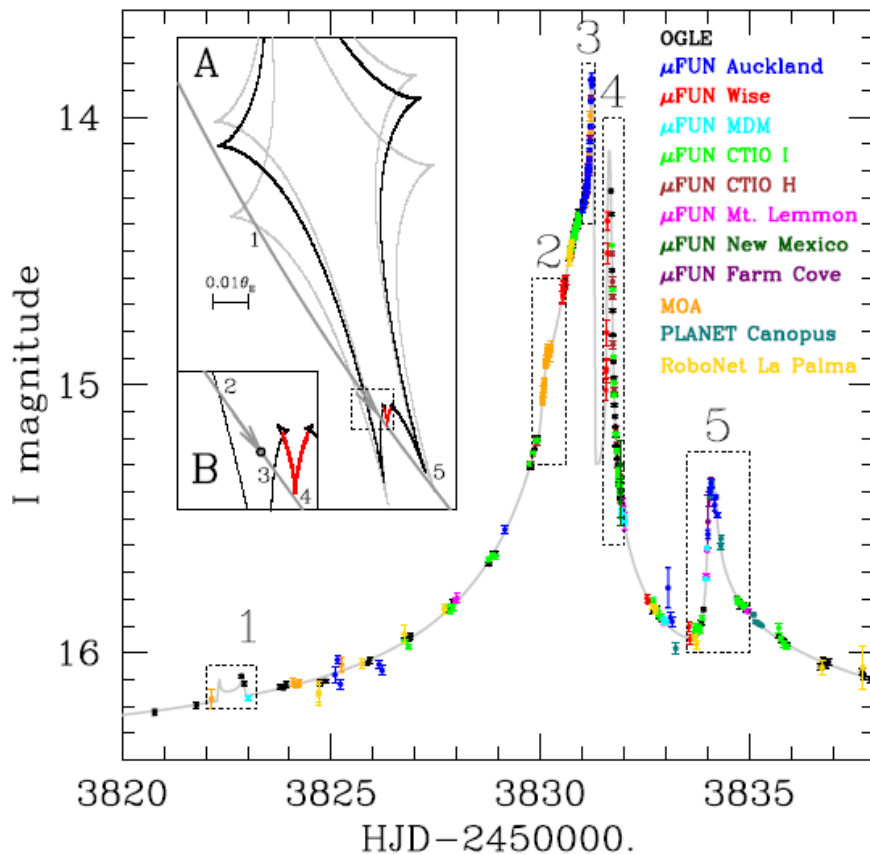


A foreground star acts as gravitational lens and enhances the apparent brightness of a background star. A planet around the foreground star modifies the lensing signal.

Microlensing can detect small, terrestrial planets. The geometry does not repeat, however. Therefore, good for statistical studies.



# Detection of a Jupiter/Saturn analog with microlensing



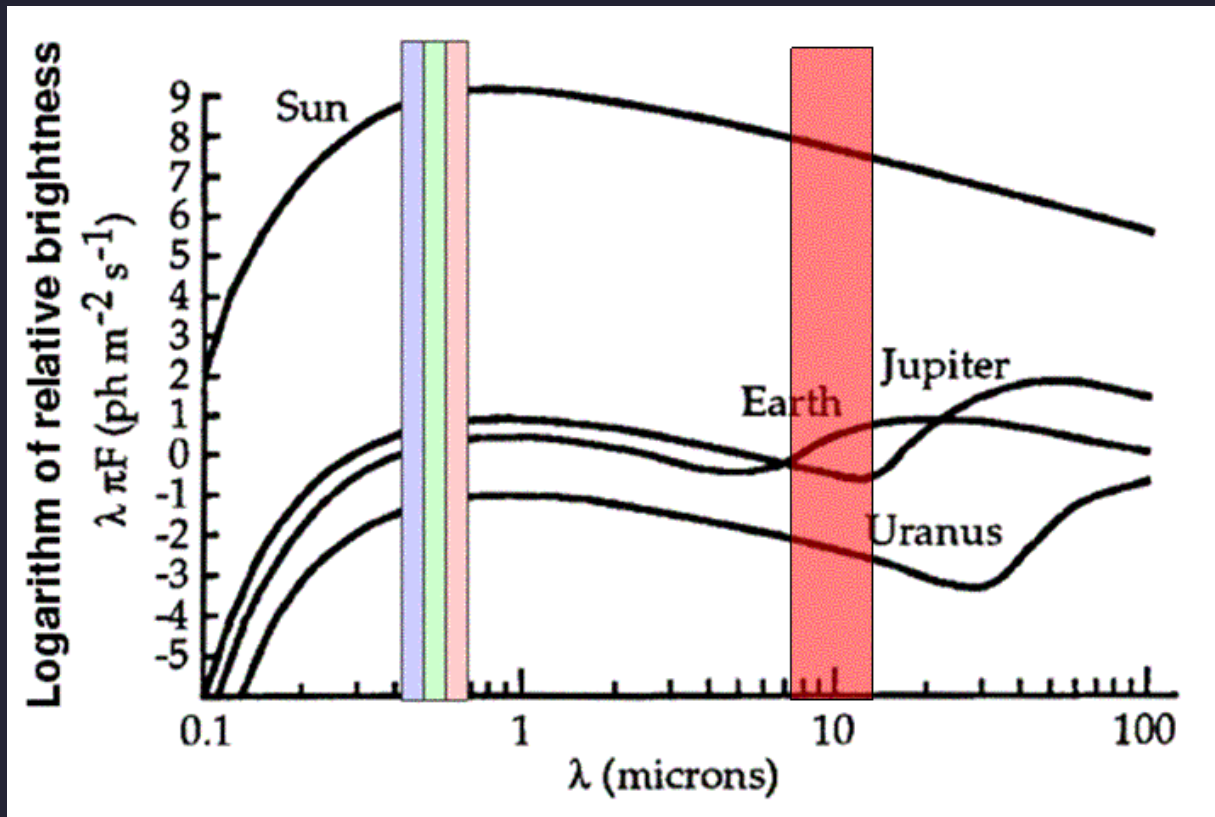
OGLE-06-109L:  $0.5 M_{\odot}$ , 1.5 kpc

Name	OGLE-06 -109L b	OGLE-06 -109L c
Mass	$0.71 M_J$	$0.27 M_J$
Distance	2.3 AU	4.6 AU
Period	1825 d	5100 d
Eccentricity		0.11
Inclination		$59^\circ$

OGLE = Optical Gravitational  
 Lens Experiment

(Gaudi et al. 2008)

# Direct imaging



- difficulty: star several orders of magnitude brighter than planet
- situation improves in the infrared spectral range and for young, hot planets

# GQ Lupi b, first directly observed exoplanet

ESO VLT-NaCo K-Band

## Companion:

6 mag fainter than star  
separation  $\sim 0.7$  arc sec

$a \sim 100$  AU

$M \sim 1-42 M_J$

## Star:

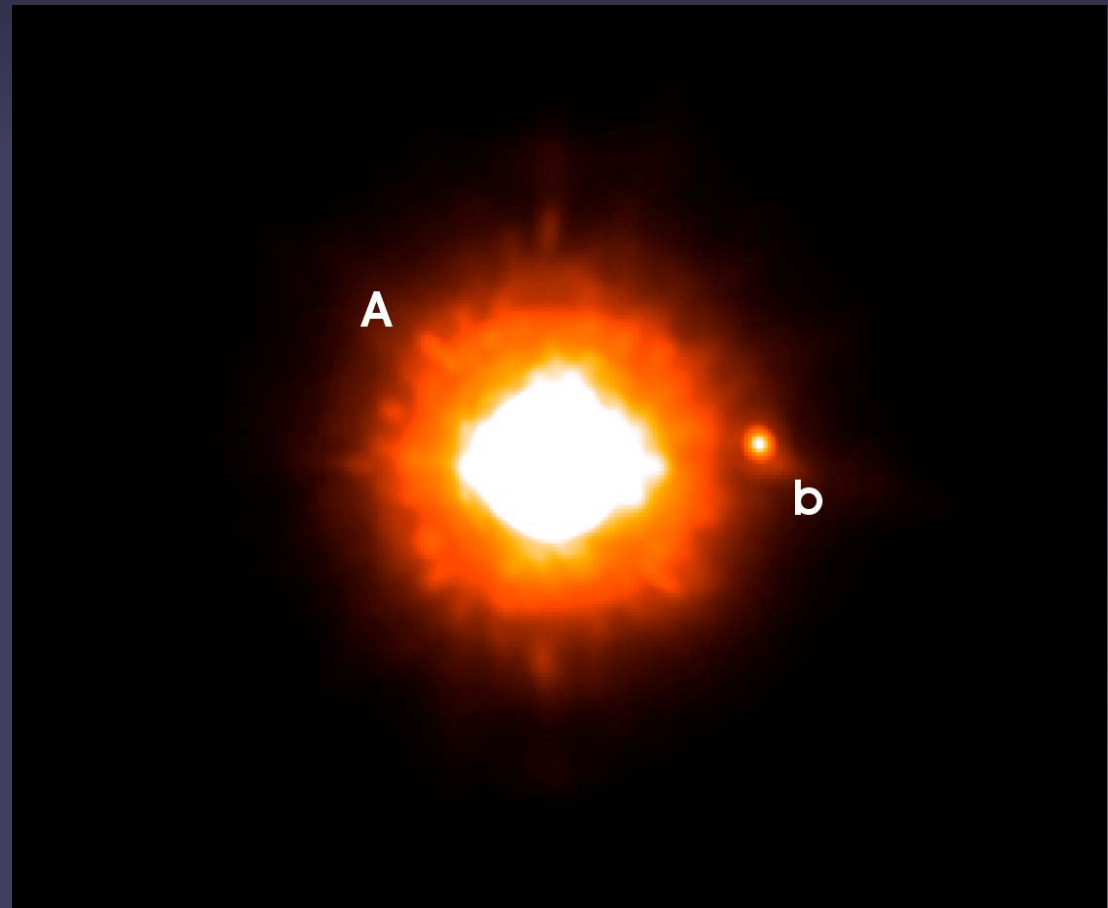
T Tauri star (K7eV)

$V \sim 11.4$ ,  $L \sim 1.6 L_3$

$M \sim 0.7 M_\odot$

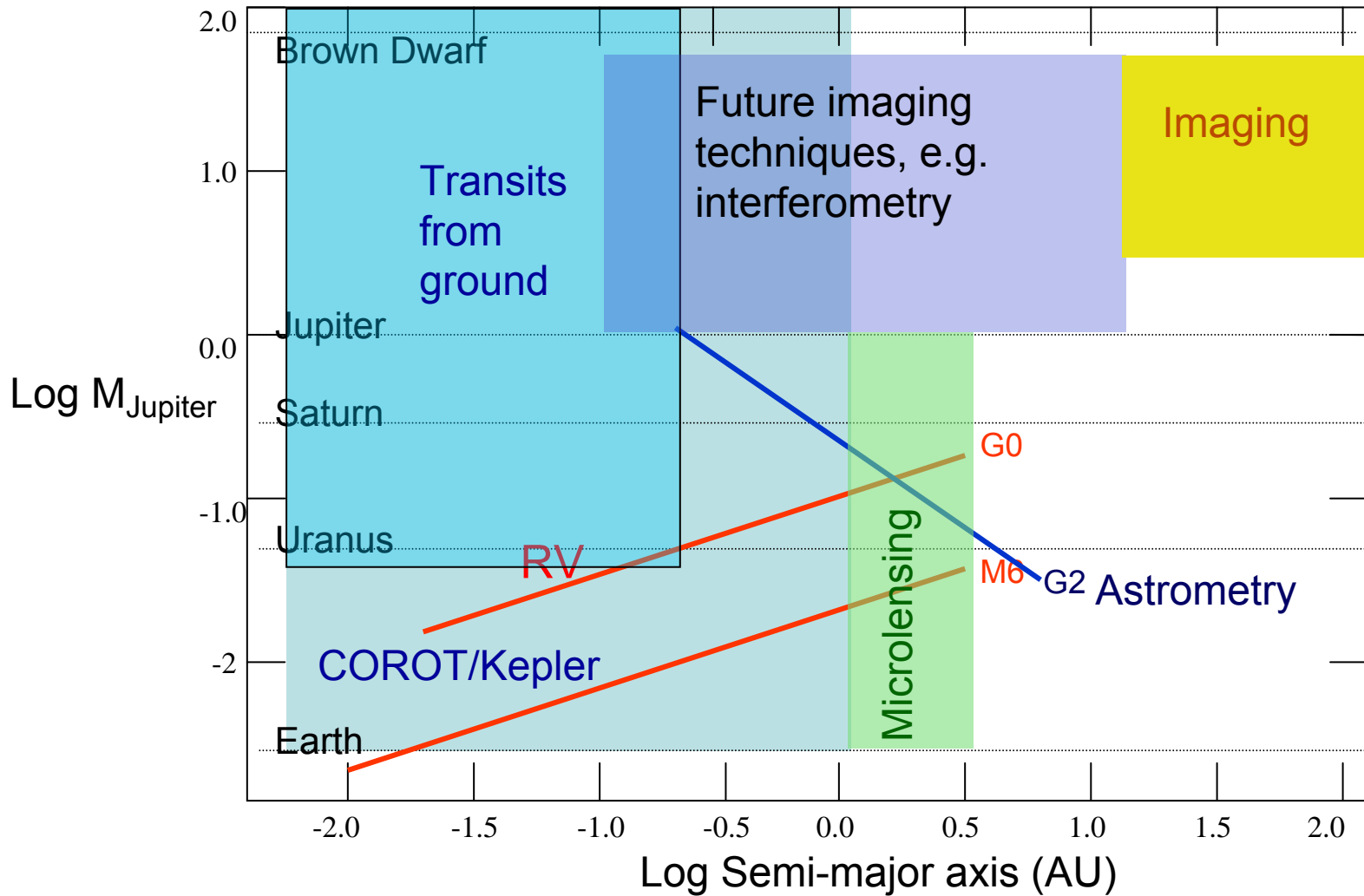
distance  $140 \pm 50$  pc

age  $\sim 2$  Mio years



(Neuhäuser et al. 2005)

# Detection ranges

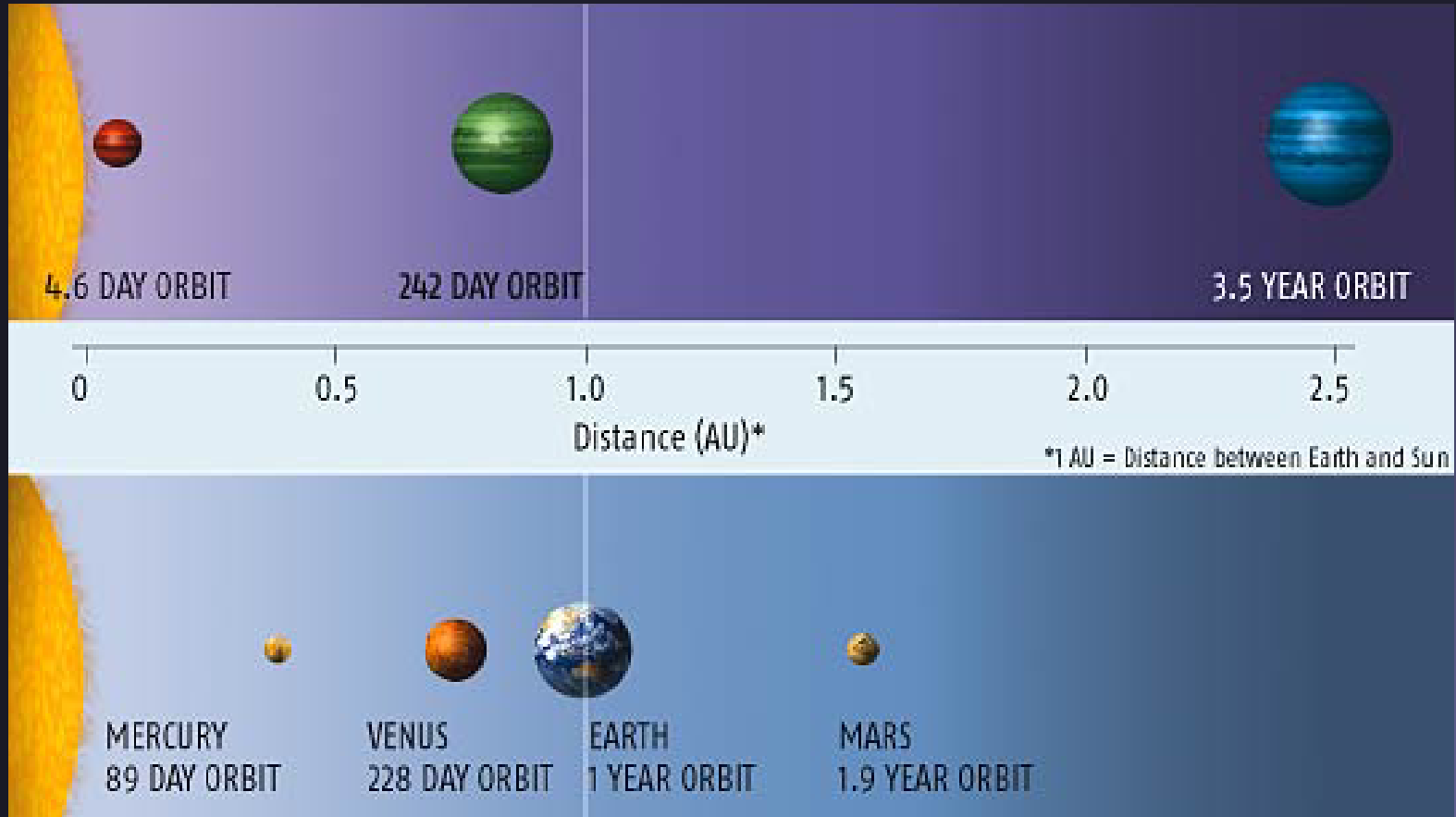


# Summary

- Radial velocity method: + most effective method so far  
+/- only lower mass limits
- Astrometry: + long-period planets  
- near stars
- Transit method: + determines radius  
+ in combination with RV:  
mass and mean density  
- needs follow-up confirmation
- Microlensing: + low-mass planets detectable  
+/- statistical information
- Direct imaging: + direct observation  
- only for distant planets



# Ypsilon Andromedae



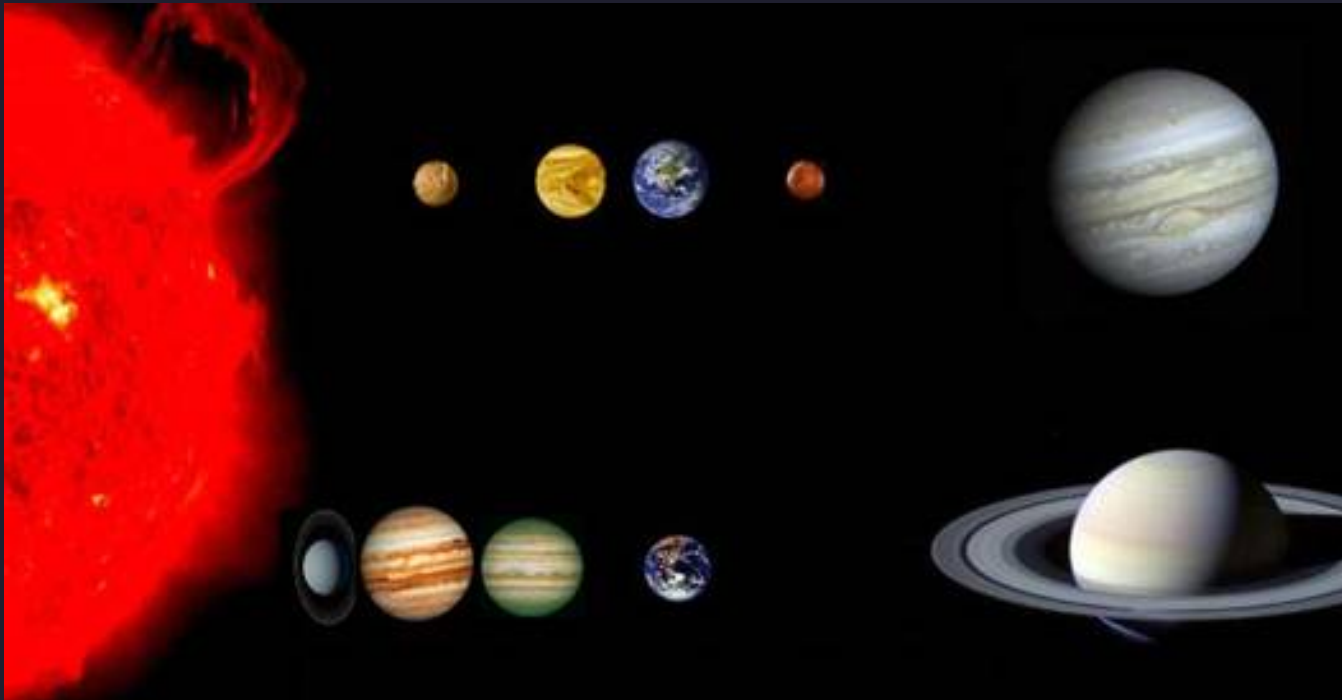
υ And: F8V,  $1.27 M_{\odot}$ ,  $1.6 R_{\odot}$ , 6200 K, 3.8 Gyr, 13.5 pc

υ And b: 0.06 AU, 4.62 d,  $0.69 M_J$

υ And c: 0.83 AU, 242 d,  $1.97 M_J$

υ And d: 2.54 AU, 1290 d,  $3.93 M_J$

# 55 Cancri



**55 Cnc: G8V, 0.95  $M_{\odot}$ , 0.96  $R_{\odot}$ , 5250 K, 4.5 Gyr, 12.5 pc**

55 Cnc e: 0.038 AU, 2.82 d, 0.03  $M_J$

55 Cnc b: 0.115 AU, 14.6 d, 0.82  $M_J$

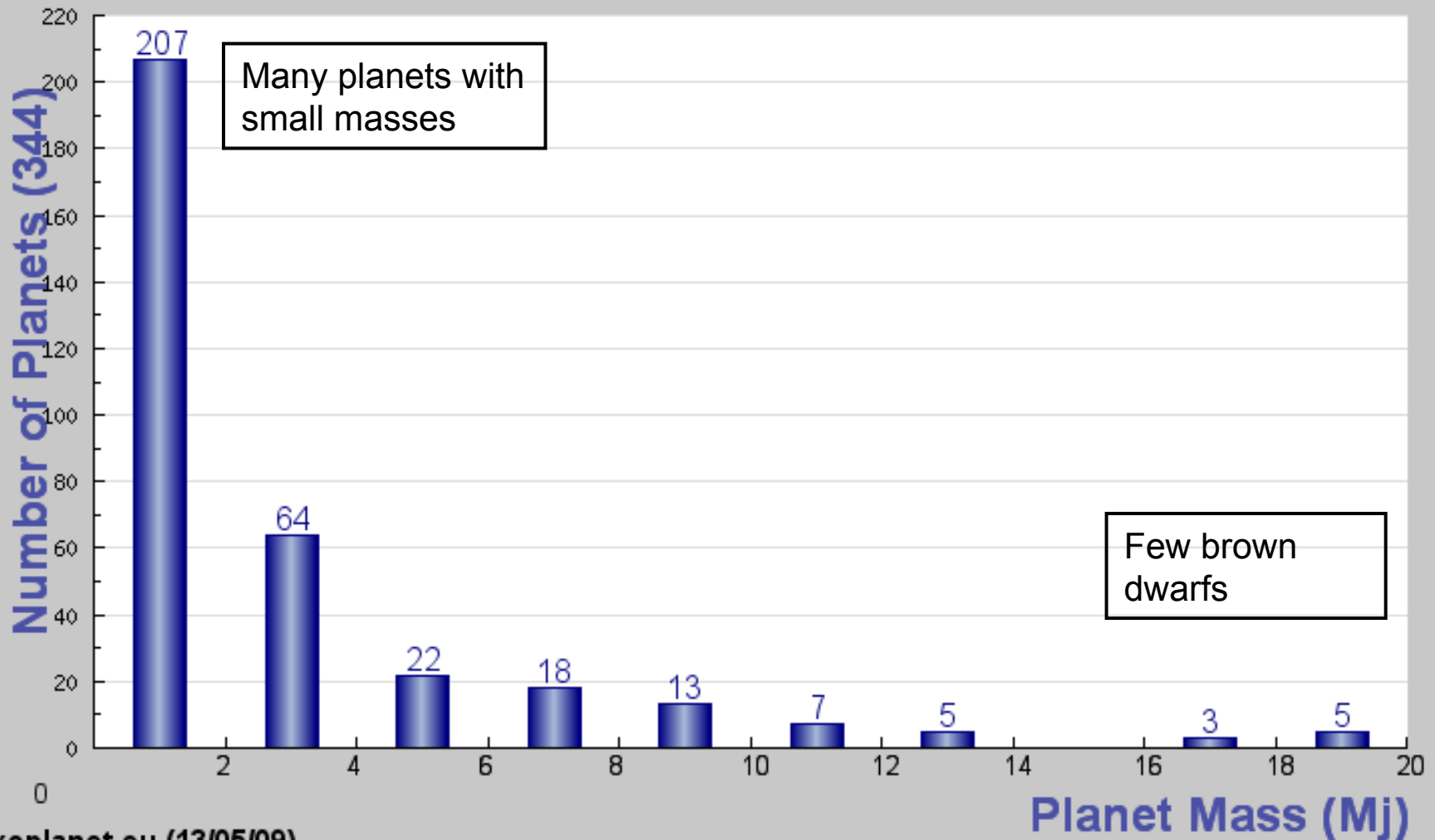
55 Cnc c: 0.240 AU, 43.9 d, 0.17  $M_J$

55 Cnc f: 0.781 AU, 260 d, 0.14  $M_J$

55 Cnc d: 5.77 AU, 5218 d, 3.84  $M_J$

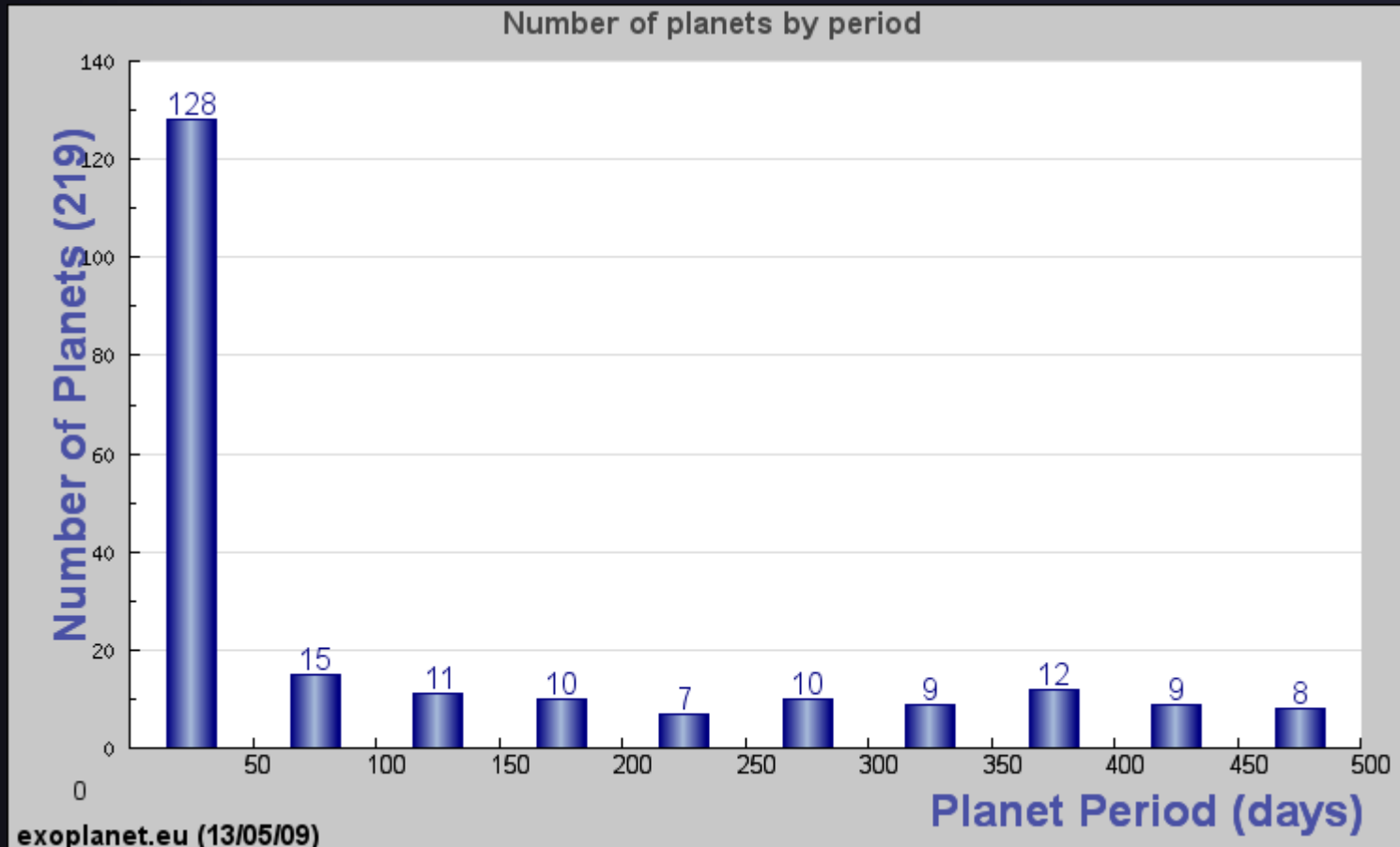
# Planet statistics

Number of planets by mass



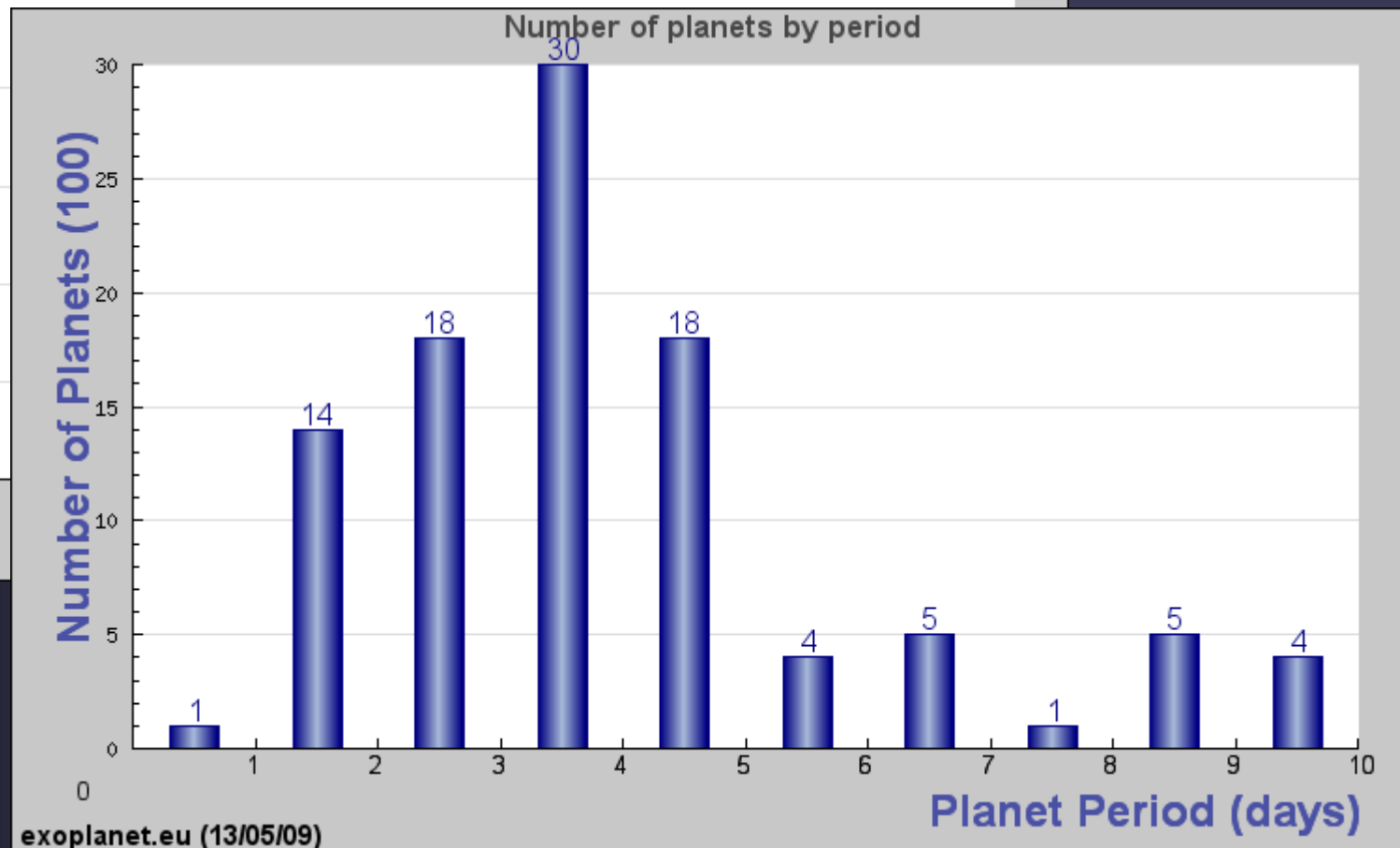
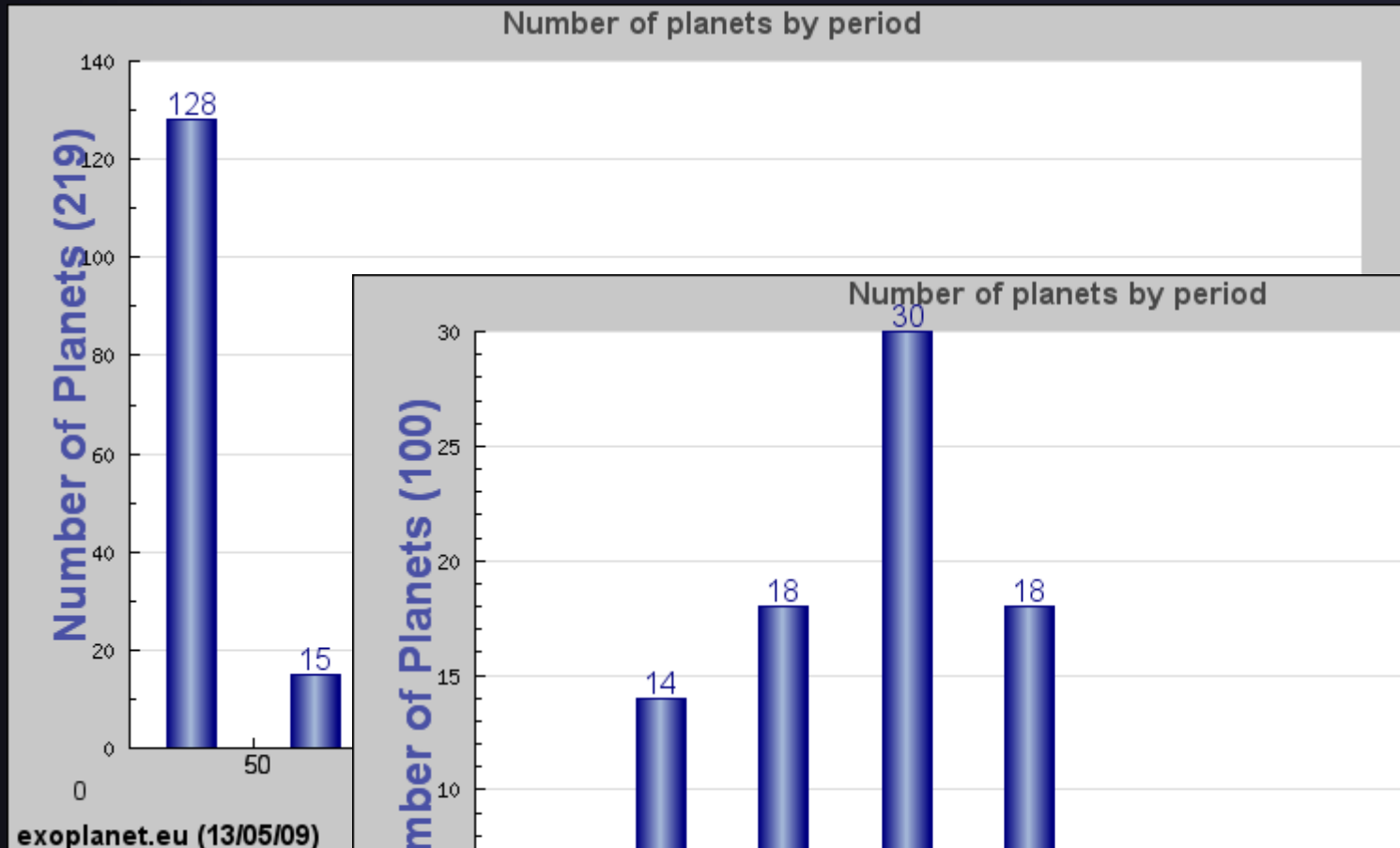
# Most planets discovered are on short orbital periods

→ selection effect

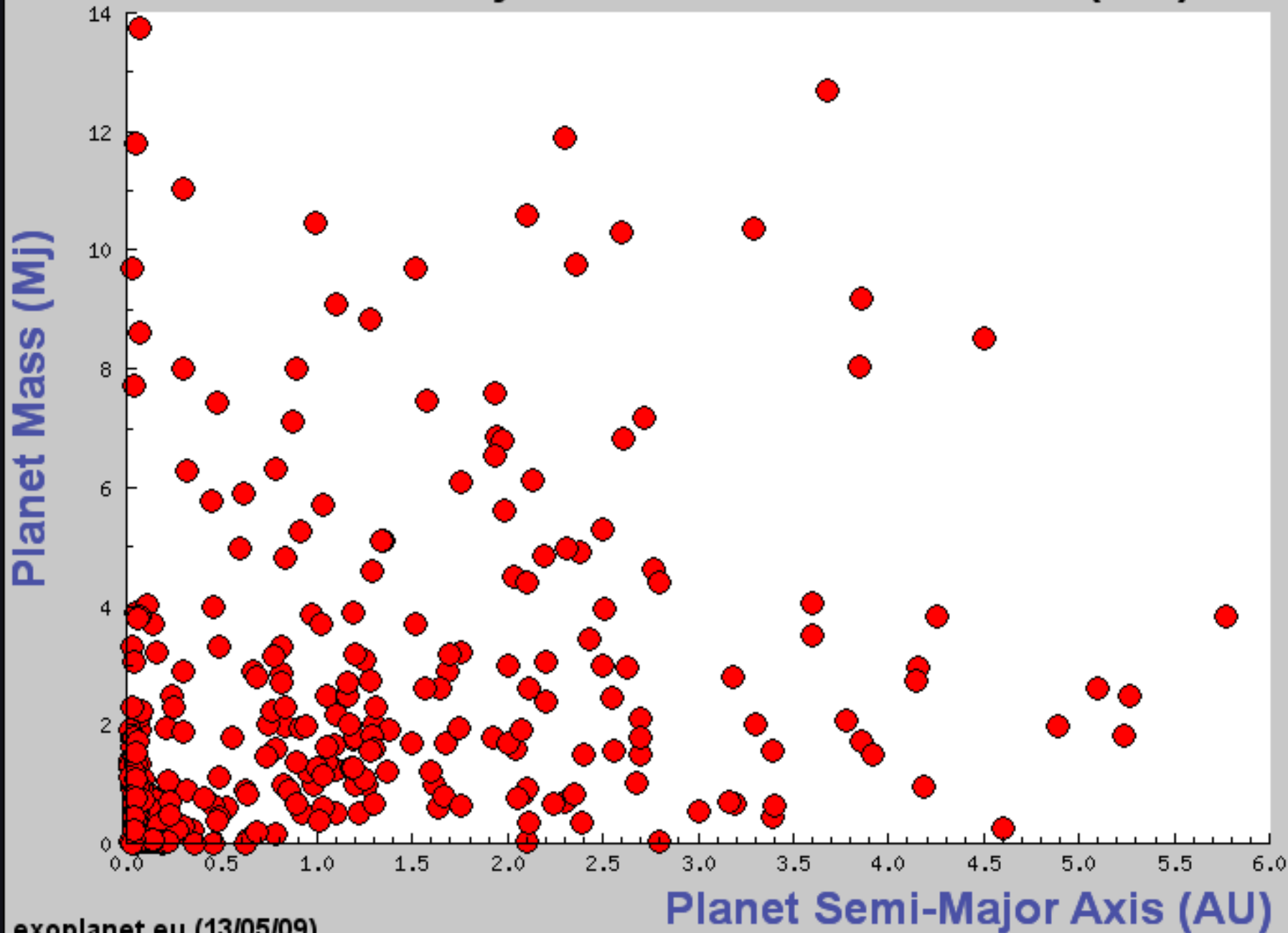


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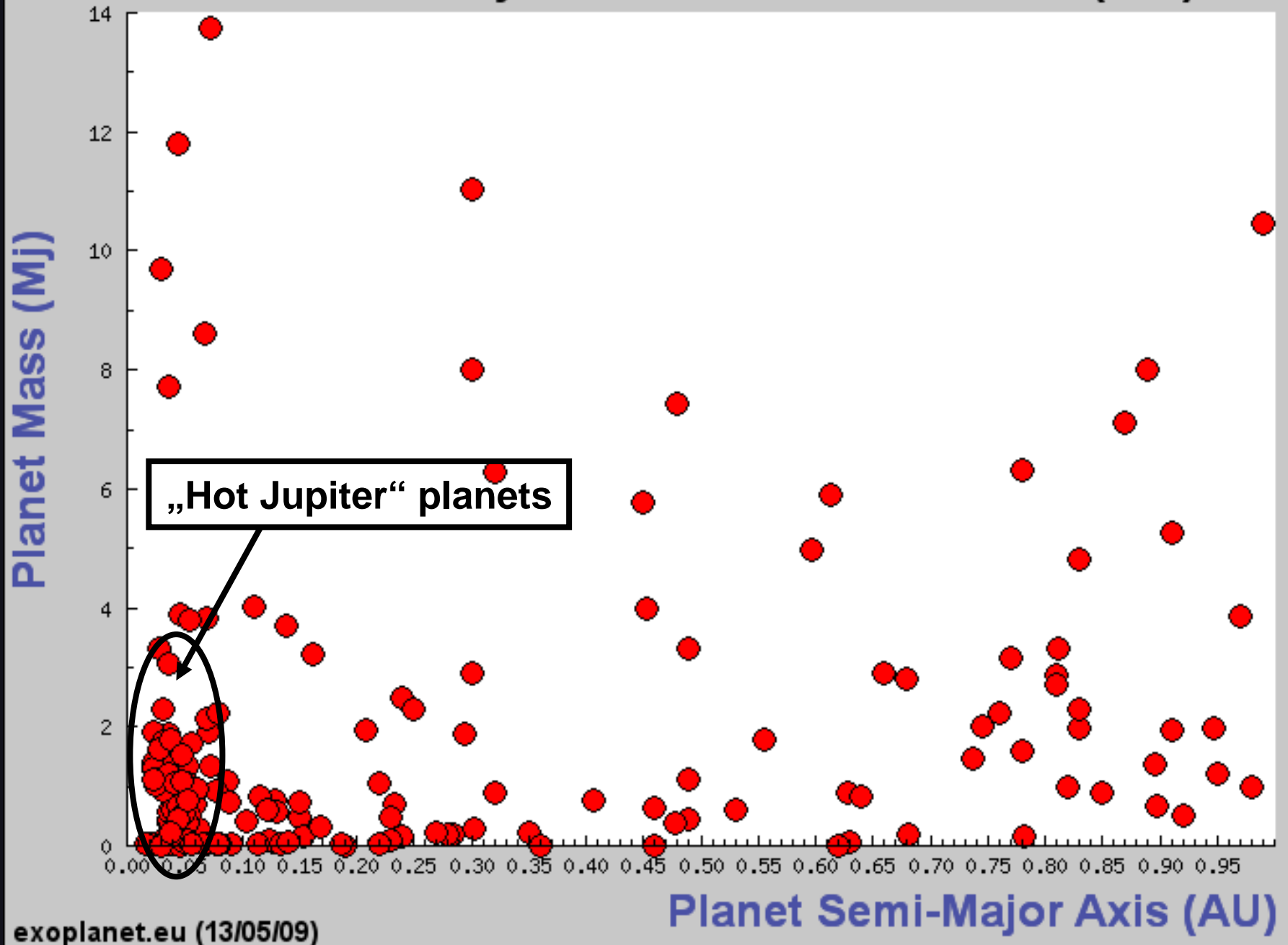


# "Planet Semi-Major Axis" vs "Planet Mass" (320)

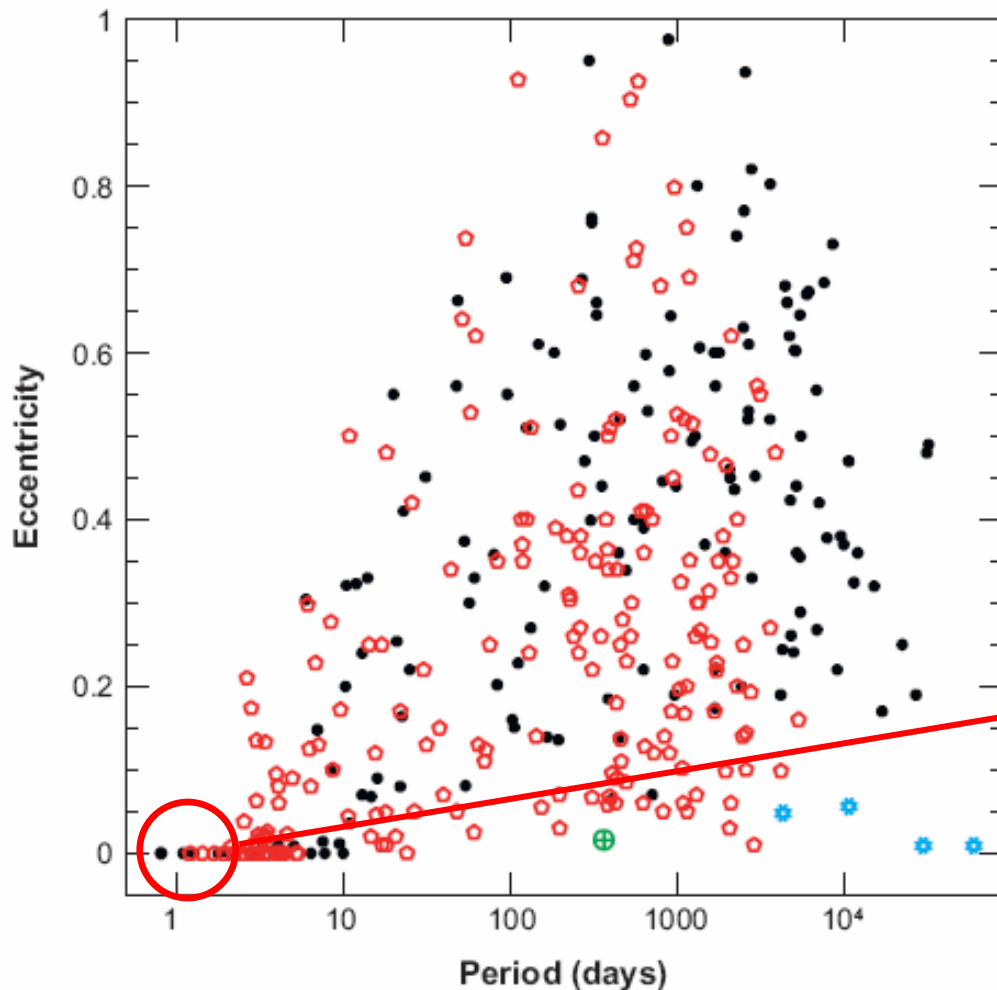




# "Planet Semi-Major Axis" vs "Planet Mass" (185)



# Orbital eccentricity



Eccentricities roughly in the same range as for binary stars.

Close-in planets are on circularised orbits due to tidal interaction with their central star.

(Udry & Santos 2007)

# Planet formation

in a nutshell

## Molecular clouds in the ISM



cold, dense,  $\text{H}_2$ , molecules,  $\sim 50\%$  of ISM

# Gravitational collapses

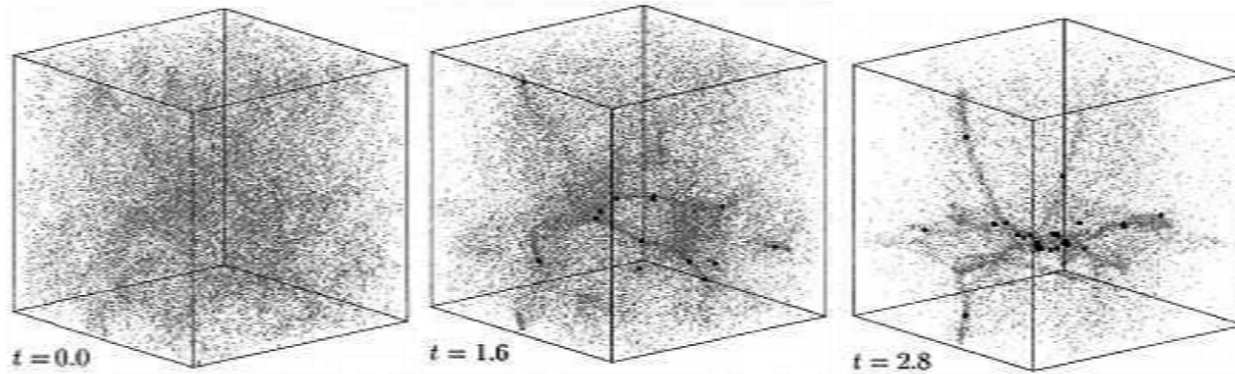


Fig. 2.— The gravitational fragmentation of molecular cloud is shown from a simulation containing initial structure (Klessen *et al.*, 1998). The gravitational collapse enhances this structure producing filaments which fragment to form individual stars. The time  $t$  is given in units of the free-fall time.

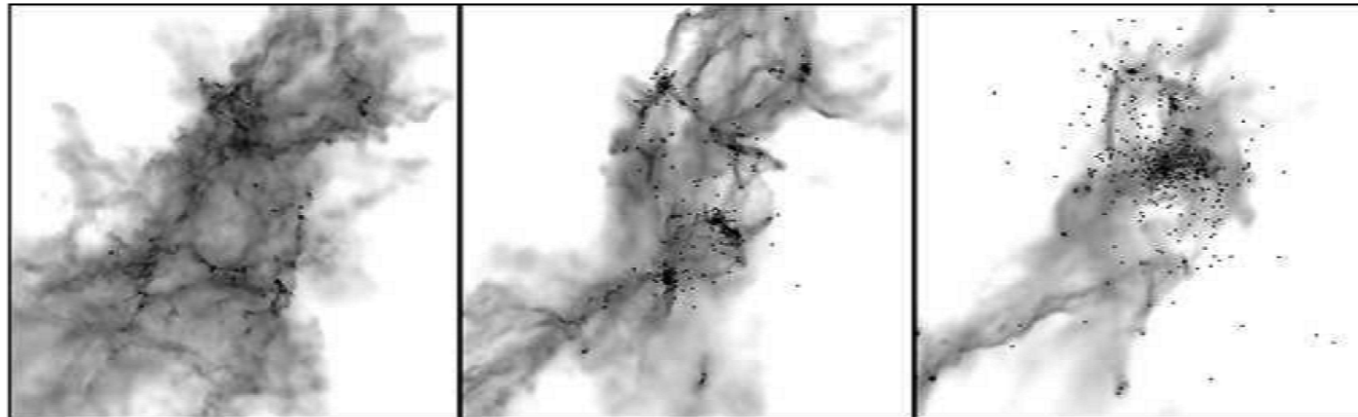


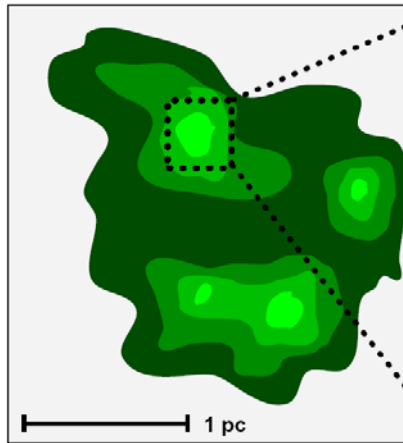
Fig. 8.— The fragmentation of a  $1000 M_{\odot}$  turbulent molecular cloud and the formation of a stellar cluster (Bonnell *et al.*, 2003). Note the merging of the smaller subclusters to a single big cluster.

Jeans mass, trigger, cloud fragmentation, star formation in cluster

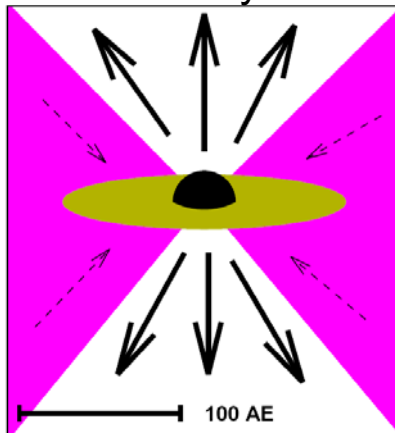
# Circumstellar / protoplanetary disk

angular momentum conservation

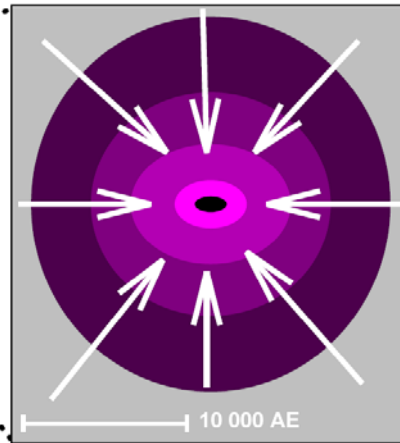
molecular cloud



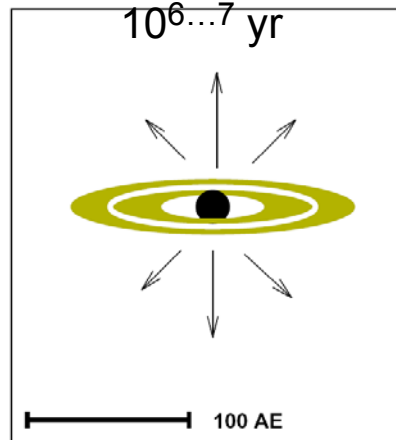
T Tauri star, wind  
 $10^5 \dots 6$  yr



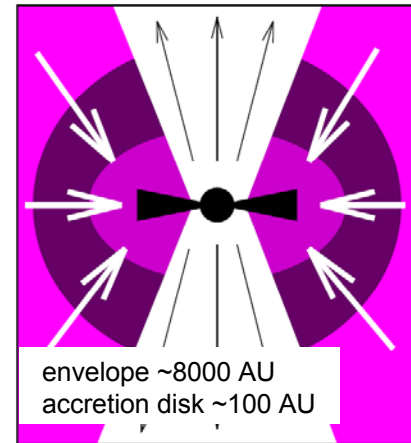
gravitational collapse



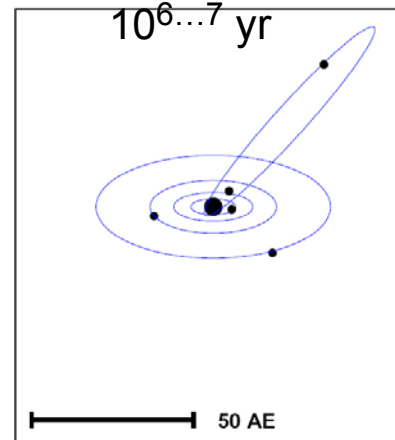
pre-main-seq. star  
evolved disk  
 $10^6 \dots 7$  yr



star with accretion disk  
 $10^4 \dots 5$  yr



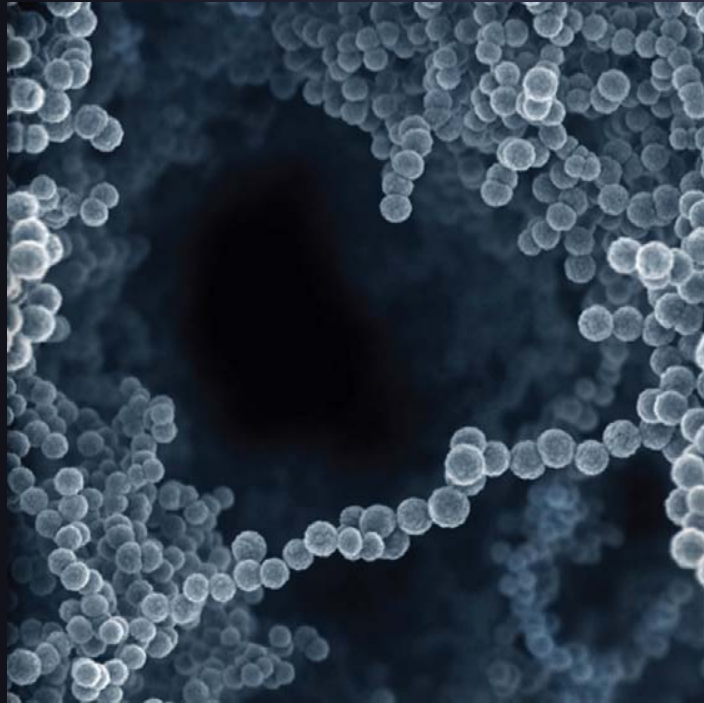
main-sequence star  
planetary system  
 $10^6 \dots 7$  yr



Hogerheijde 2001  
Kley 2008



# Condensation, dust agglomeration, formation of planetesimals

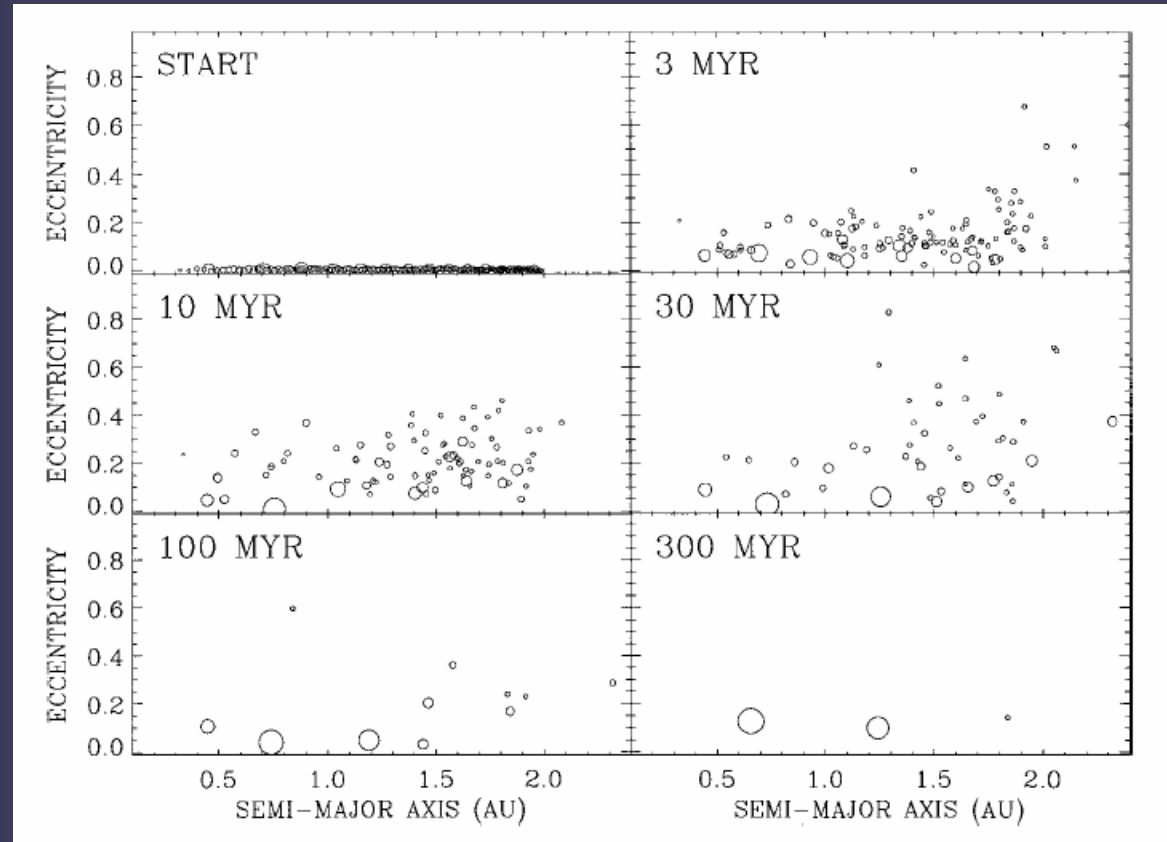
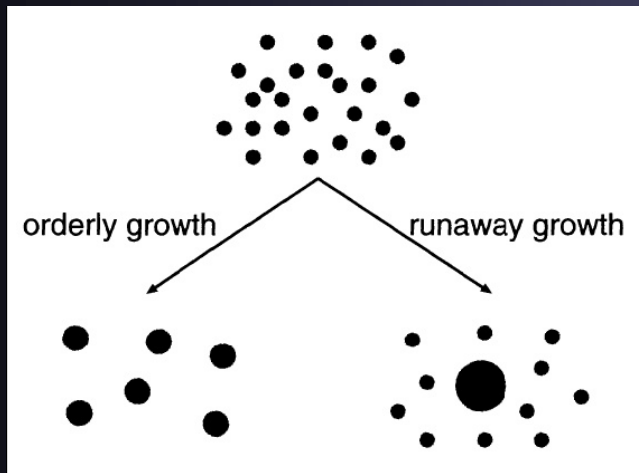


- Condensation of molecules: gas to solid, 1  $\mu\text{m}$ , some 1000 yr
- Agglomeration / coagulation of dust: 10 cm, takes longer further out, frost line at 5 AU: ice
- Planetesimals: 10 km, meter-size barrier



# Formation of terrestrial planets

planetesimals of  $\sim 10\text{km}$  – gravitational focusing – collisions – fragmentation of smaller body – accretion of fragments – larger and fewer bodies – runaway growth – oligarchic growth – ends when reservoir exhausted



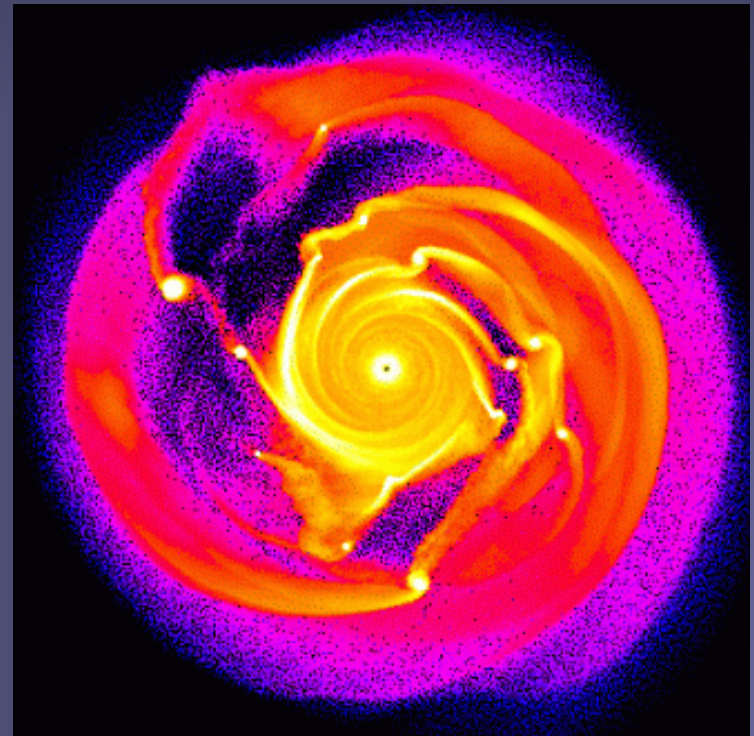
# Formation of gasplanets

## Core accretion model

- large planetary embryo of  $\sim 10M_E$
- fast accretion of gas ( $H_2$ , He, ...)
- time scale:
  - Jupiter: 0.5 Myr
  - Saturn: 2 Myr
  - Uranus: 10 Myr
  - Neptune: 30 Myr
- end of growth:
  - stellar wind (TTauri phase)
  - evaporation of disk

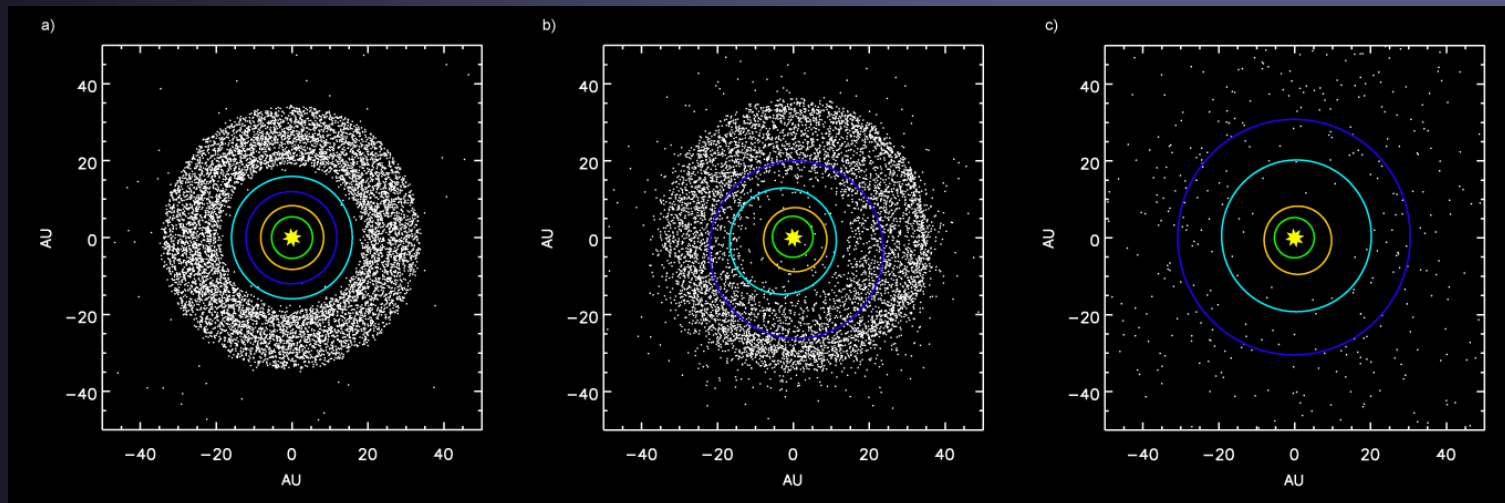
## Gravitational instability model

- gravitational instability of knots in mass-rich disks



# Planetary migration

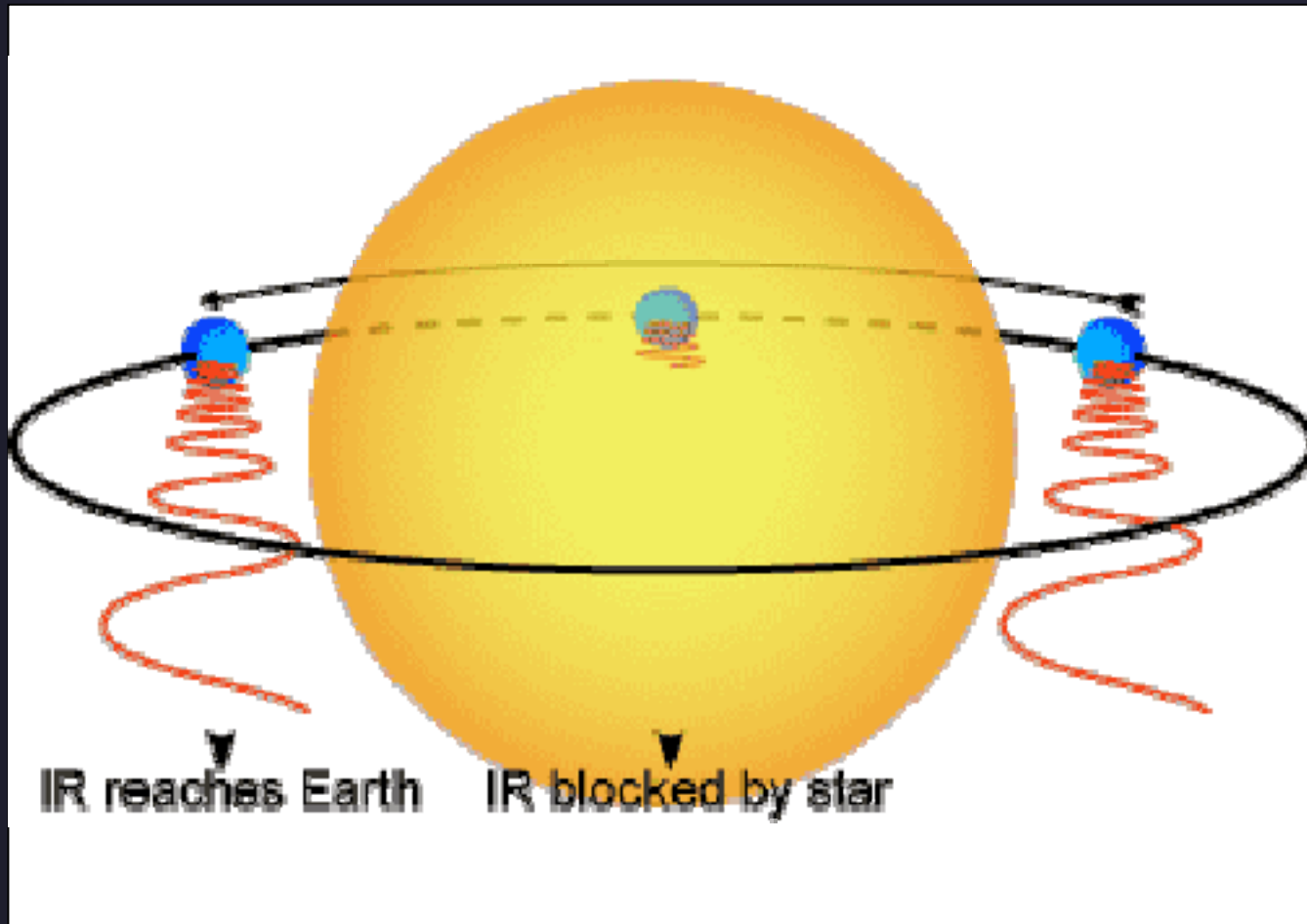
- change of orbital radius (i.e. semimajor axis) of a planet in time
- still controversial, supported by Kuiper Belt Objects, Hot Jupiters, atmos. composition of Jupiter
- caused by interaction of planet with gas or planetary disk
- Type I migration: planet – spiral density wave in disk – imbalance inside and outside the orbit – net torque inward – loss of angular momentum – inward migration
- Type II migration: large planets – clear gap in disk – gas from disk enters gap – moves planet and gap inward



# Physical properties

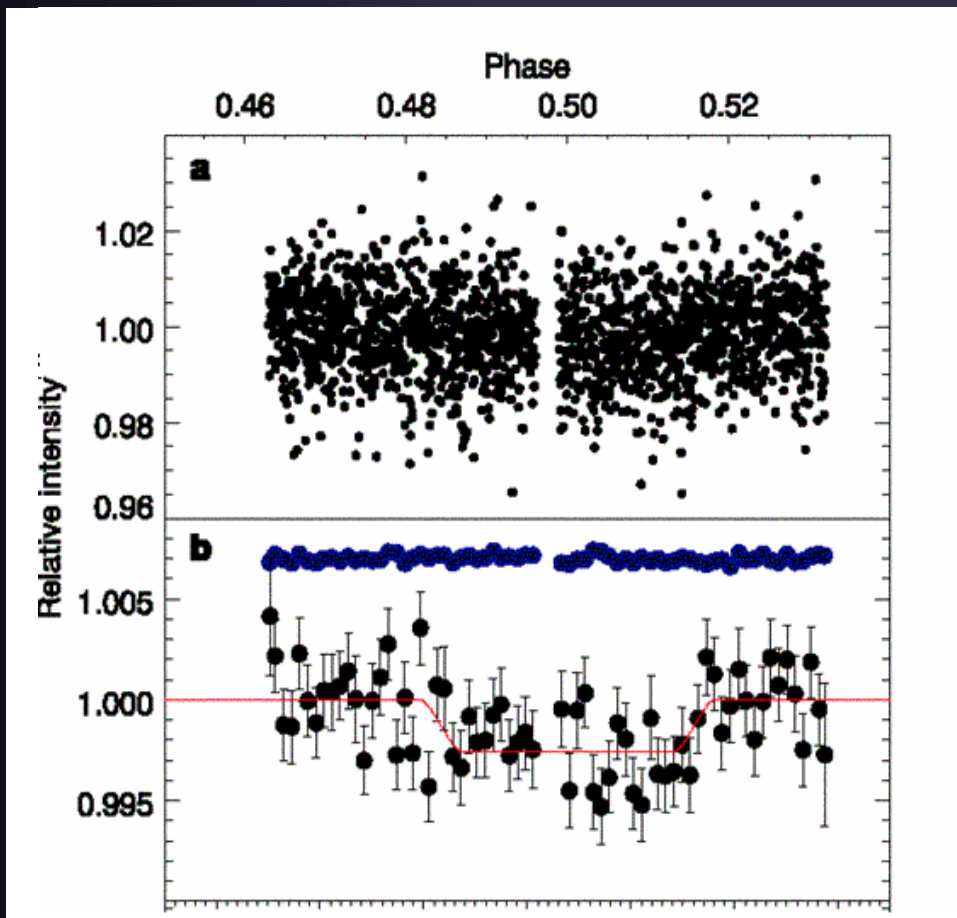
- relatively little known
- observation of „hot Jupiters“ with HST and Spitzer during transits:
  - determination of effective temperature
  - chemical composition of atmosphere
- theoretical studies:
  - planetary formation
  - interior structure
  - atmosphere
  - magnetosphere and plasma interaction with stellar wind and magnetic field
  - ...

# Measurement of temperature



during the secondary transit at infrared wavelengths

# Secondary transit of HD 209458 b

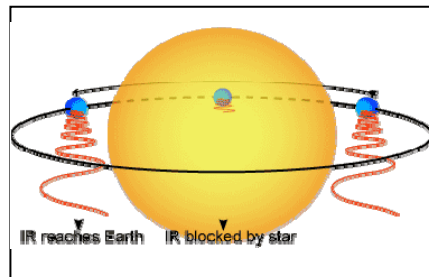
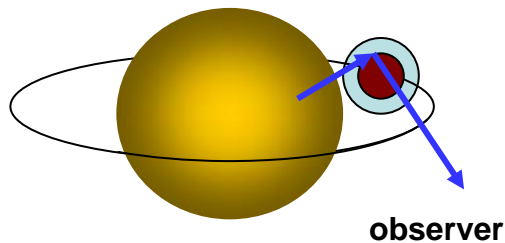
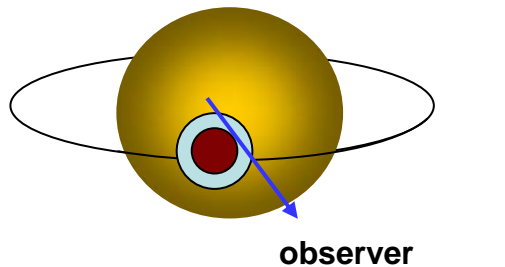


24 micron (Deming et al. 2005)

- orbital period = 3.52 days
- radius =  $1.3 R_J$
- mass =  $0.63 M_J$
- density =  $0.3 - 0.5 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$
- $T_{\text{eff}} = 1130 \pm 150 \text{ K}$
- in comparison:  
Jupiter  $T_{\text{eff}} = 124 \text{ K}$
- heating due to small orbital distance of the planet



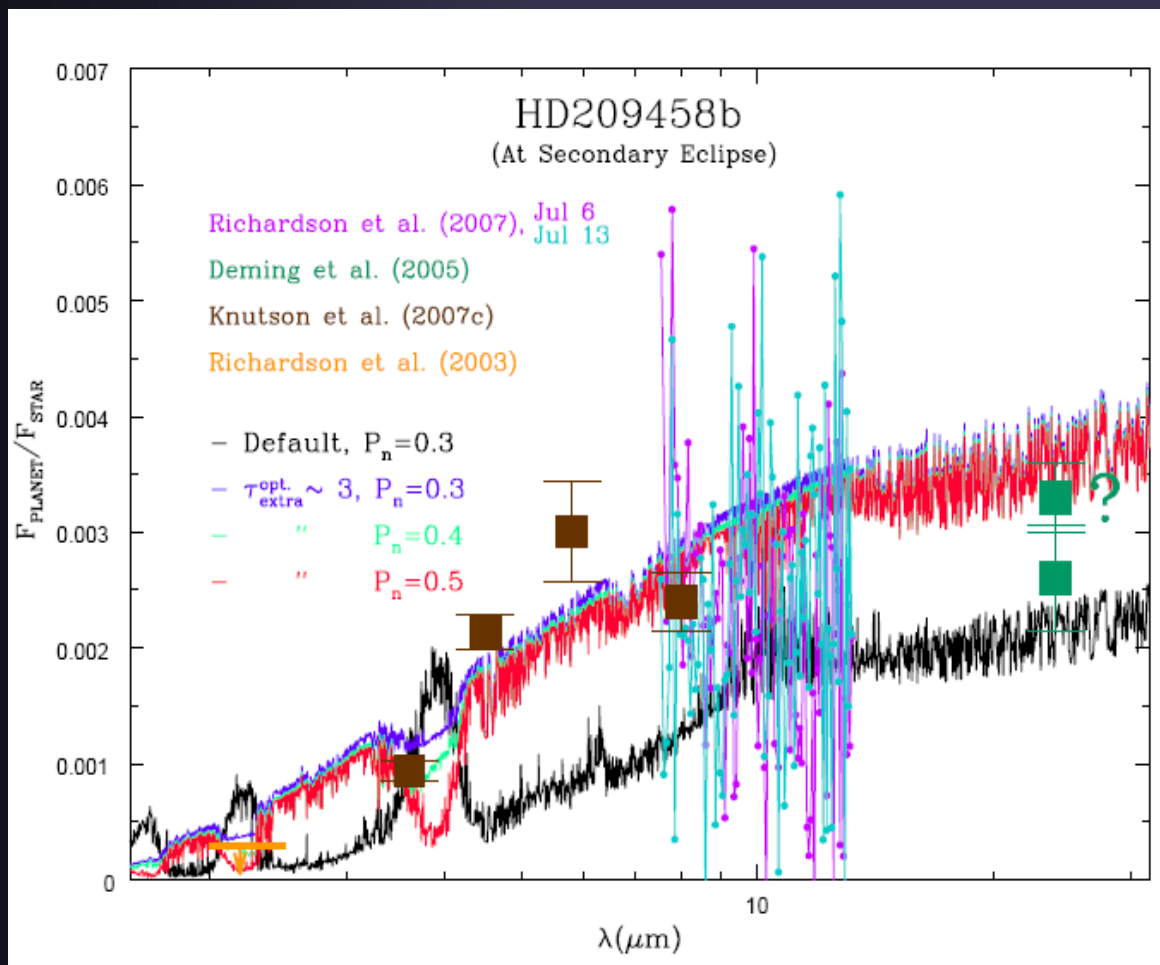
# Measurement of atmospheric composition



- Measure stellar light passing through the planetary atmosphere during transit configuration
- Measure stellar light reflected or scattered from the planetary atmosphere
- Measure the infrared radiation emitted by the planetary atmosphere

# Water vapour in the atmosphere of HD 209458 b ?

Spectroscopy of the starlight reflected by the planet with the Spitzer IR satellite

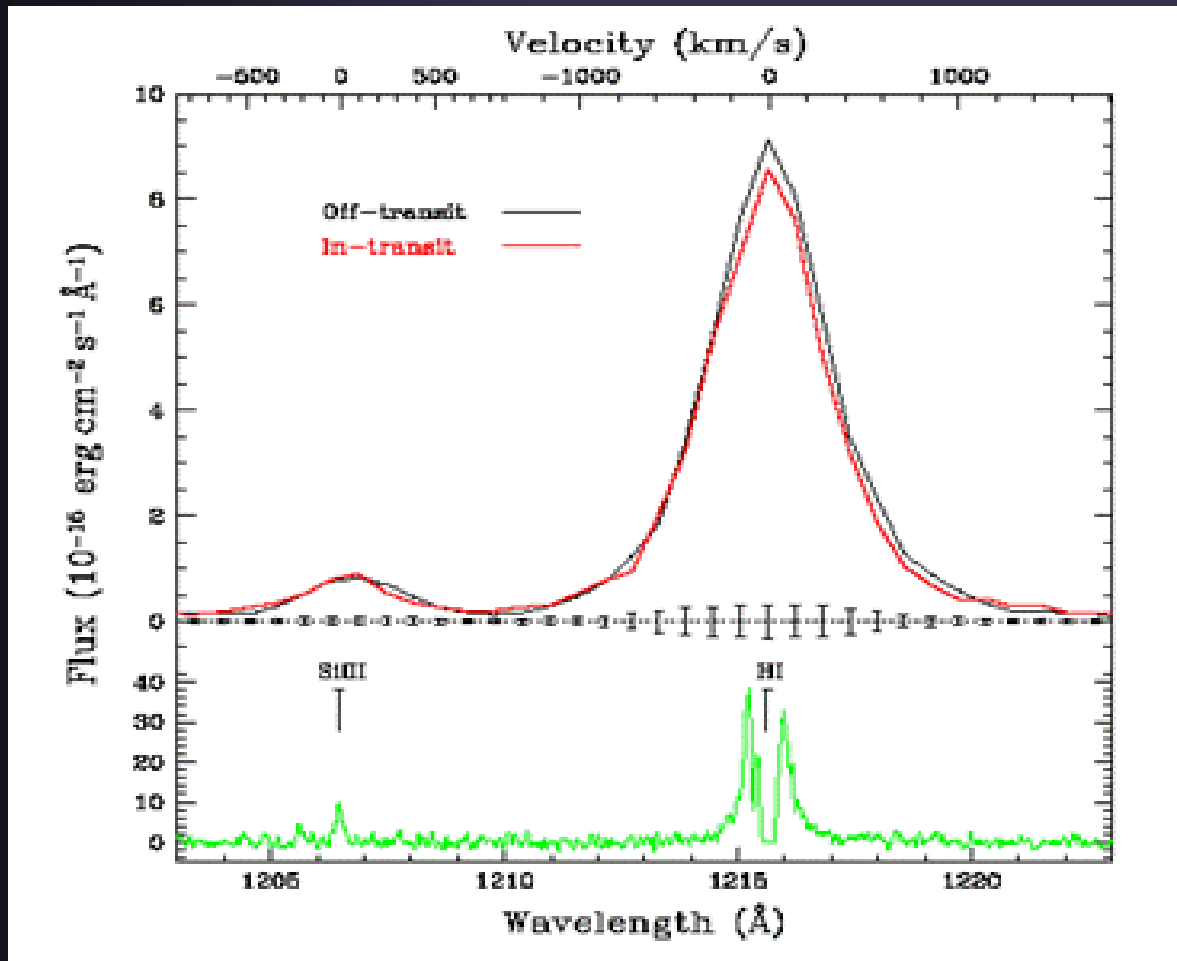


Modelled spectra

(Burrows et al. 2007)

# H, O, C and Na in the atmosphere of HD 209458 b

Spectroscopy at optical and ultraviolet wavelengths during a transit (with the HST)



(Charbonneau 2002,  
Desert 2003,  
Vidal-Madjar et al. 2004)

# Habitability

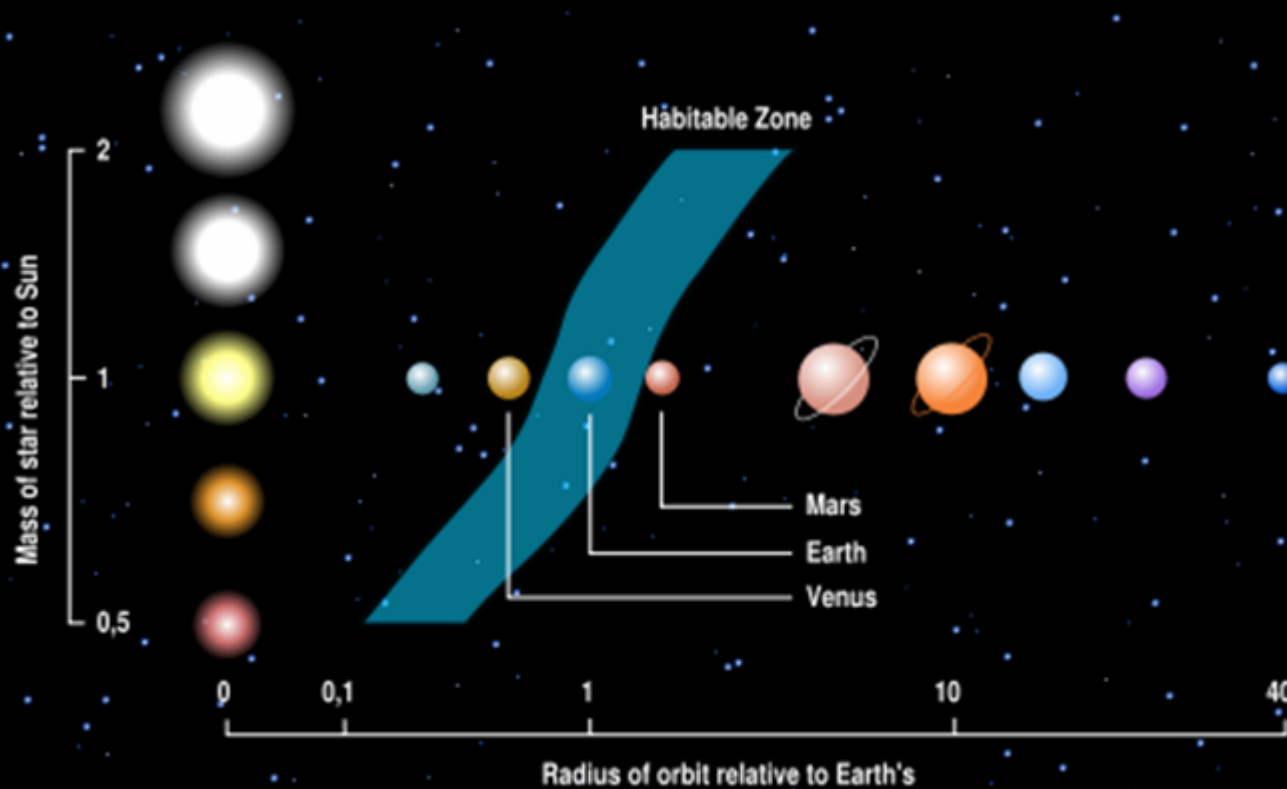
Potential of a planet  
to develop and sustain life

## Absolute requirements:

- energy source
- liquid water on surface
- environment favourable for the assembly of complex organic molecules

# Habitable zone

Orbital distance region around a star where an Earth-like planet can maintain liquid water on its surface



Habitable zone depends on luminosity of star

- inner boundary: runaway greenhouse effect, loss of water to space
- outer boundary: dependent on amount of greenhouse gases ( $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ )

# Constraints on star

- main sequence star, spectral type F - K
  - sufficient long stellar life
  - UV radiation for atmospheric dynamics and chemistry
  - habitable zone at distances outside tidal locking, no good news for M stars
- stability of habitable zone
  - slow stellar evolution
  - no gas giants close to habitable zone
- low stellar variability, red dwarf often very active
- high metallicity favours planet formation



# Constraints on planet

- terrestrial
- sufficient mass
  - for thick atmosphere
  - for hot core and geological activity
  - for iron core, dynamo, magnetic protection from stellar wind and cosmic rays
- small orbital eccentricity, moderate rotation, moderate tilt of rotation axis because of seasons
- chemistry: C, H, O, N — amino acids
- satellites of gas giants

# Venus – Earth – Mars



**$T = 457^{\circ}\text{C}$**   
 **$p = 90 \text{ bar}$**

Atmosphere:

96 %  $\text{CO}_2$   
3,5 %  $\text{N}_2$

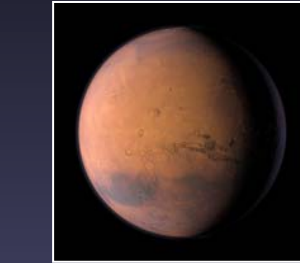
runaway greenhouse



**$T = 15^{\circ}\text{C}$**   
 **$p = 1 \text{ bar}$**

Atmosphere:

77 %  $\text{N}_2$   
21 %  $\text{O}_2$   
1 %  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$



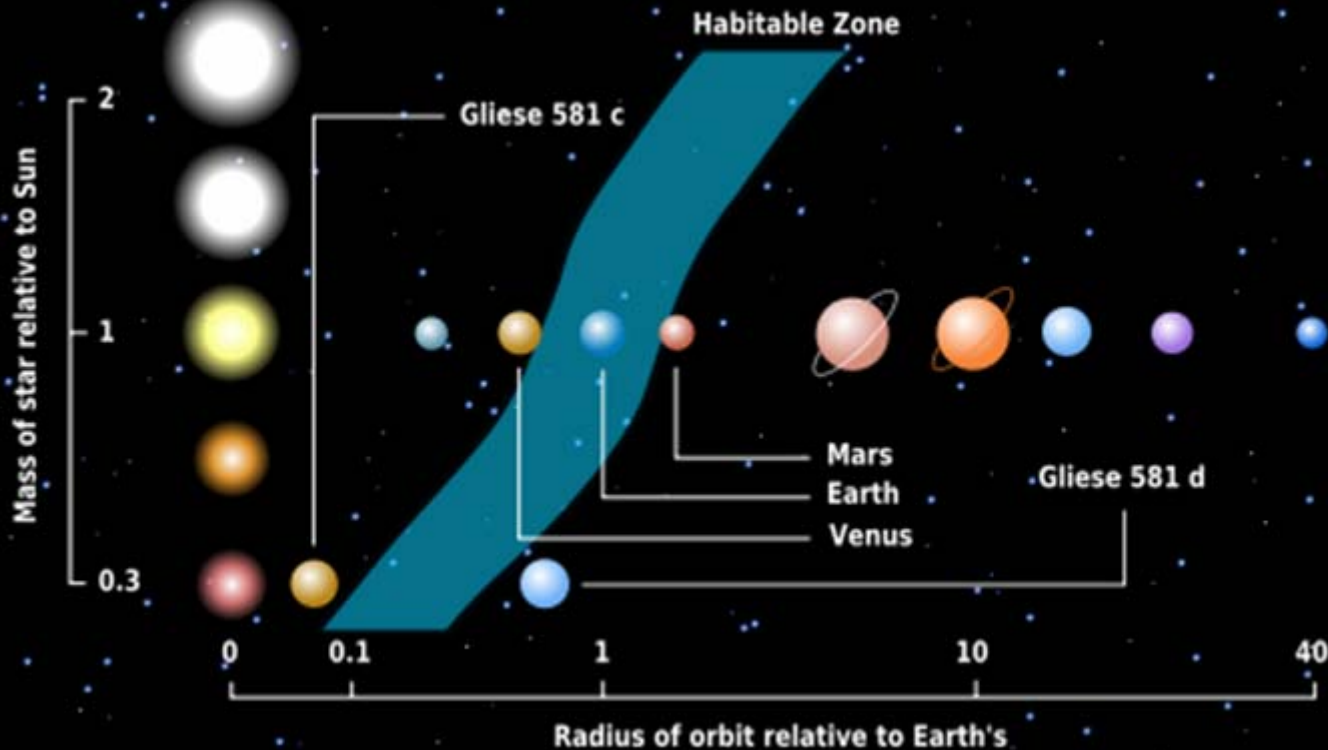
**$T = - 80^{\circ}\text{C}$**   
 **$p = 0.007 \text{ bar}$**

Atmosphere:

95 %  $\text{CO}_2$   
2,7 %  $\text{N}_2$

global fridge

# Gliese 581 c,d,e



**Gliese 581: M3V, 0.31  $M_{\odot}$ , 6.3 pc**

Gliese 581 c: 0.073 AU, 12.9 d, 5  $M_E$

Gliese 581 d: 0.22 AU, 67 d, 7.1  $M_E$

Gliese 581 e: 0.03 AU, 3.15 d, 1.9  $M_E$

# Future missions

2006

**CoRoT** (CNES)

**Transits:**

**„Hot“ Earths**

2009

**Kepler** (NASA)

**Transits:**

**Earth-like  
planets**

2012

**Gaia** (ESA)

**Astrometry:**

**Statistics of  
gas giants**

2017

**Plato?** (ESA)

**Transits:**

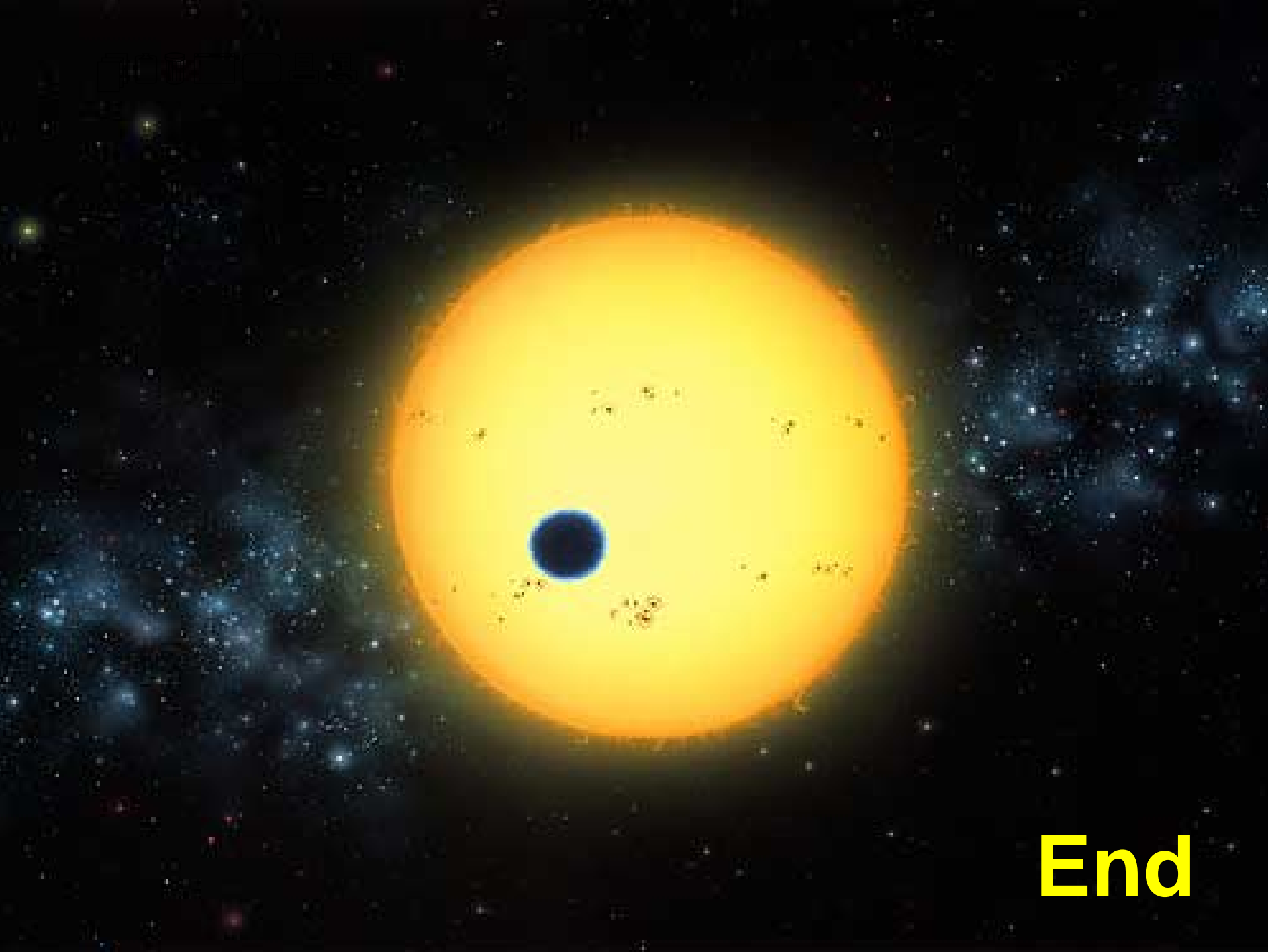
**Earth-like  
planets**

2020+

**Darwin?** (ESA)

**Direct imaging:**

**Search for  
biomarkers**



**End**