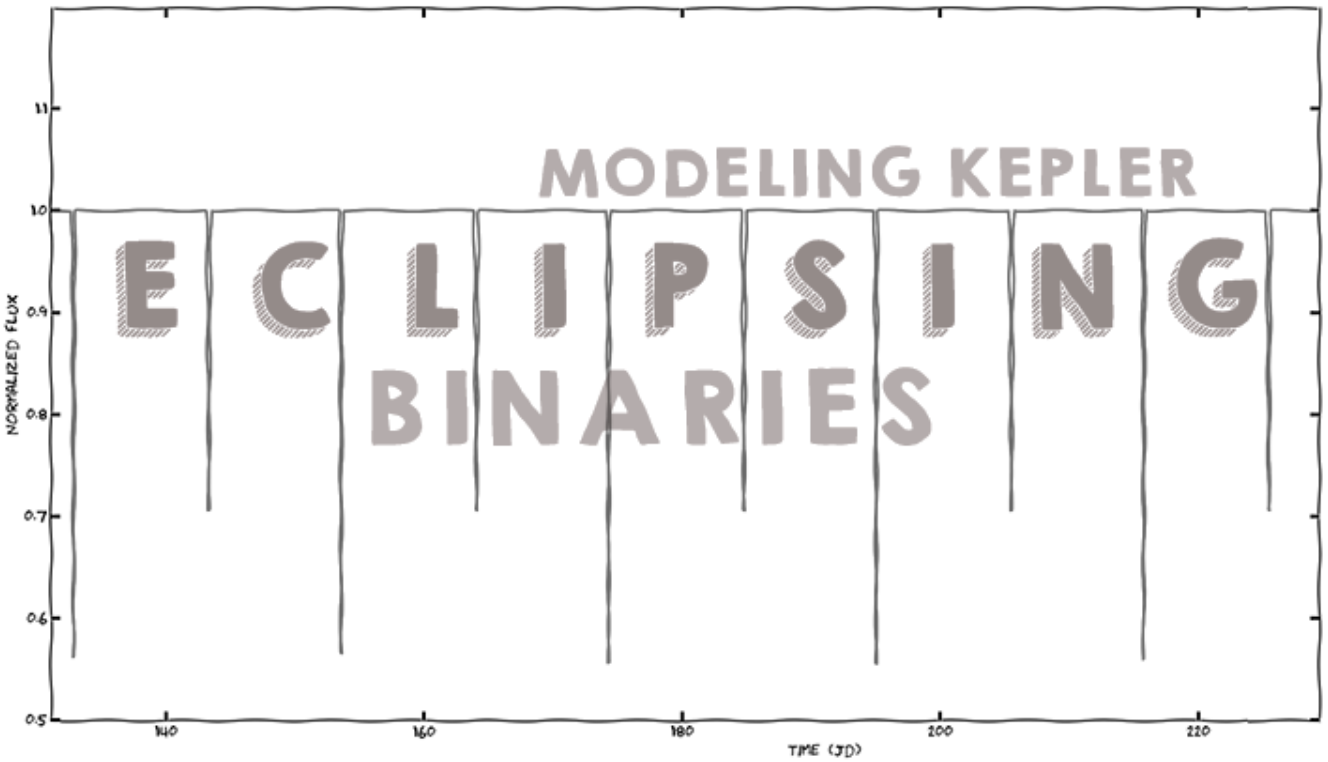


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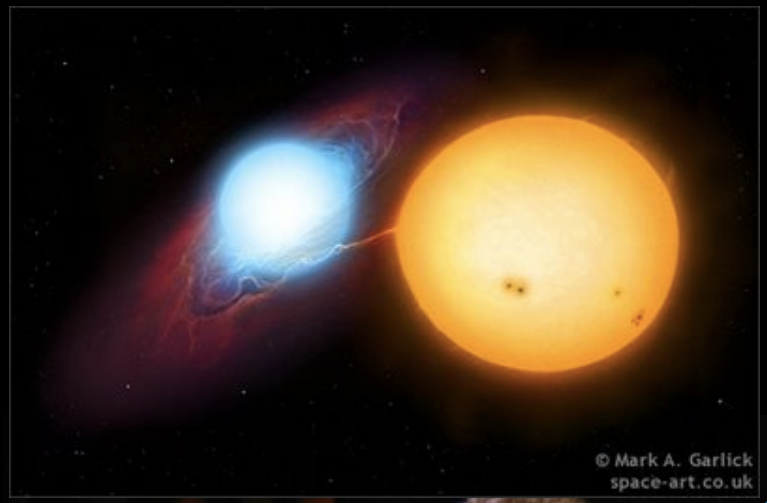


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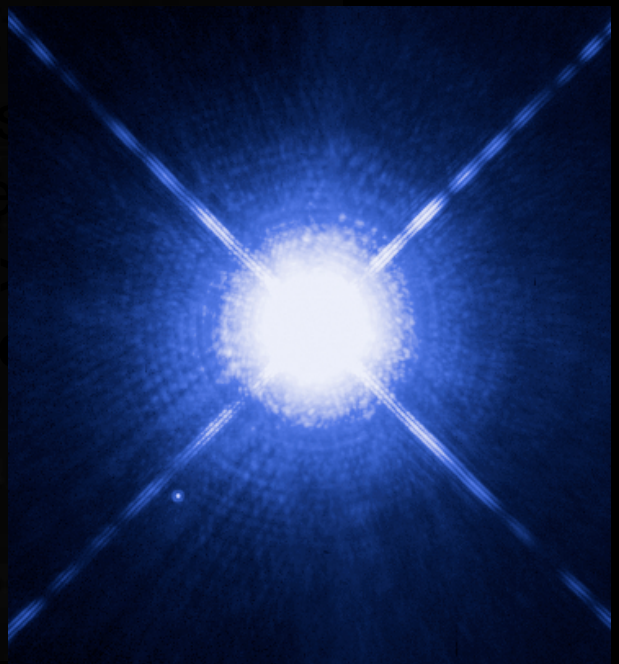

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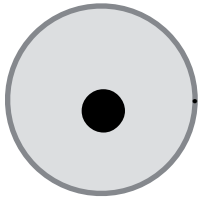

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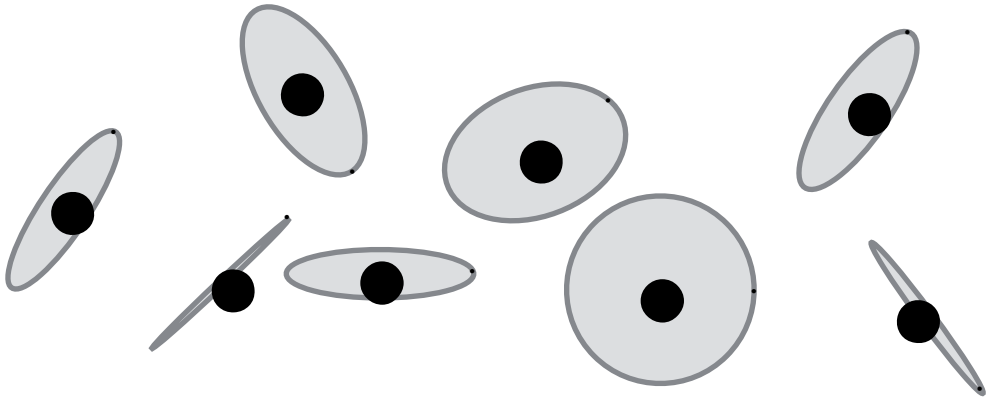

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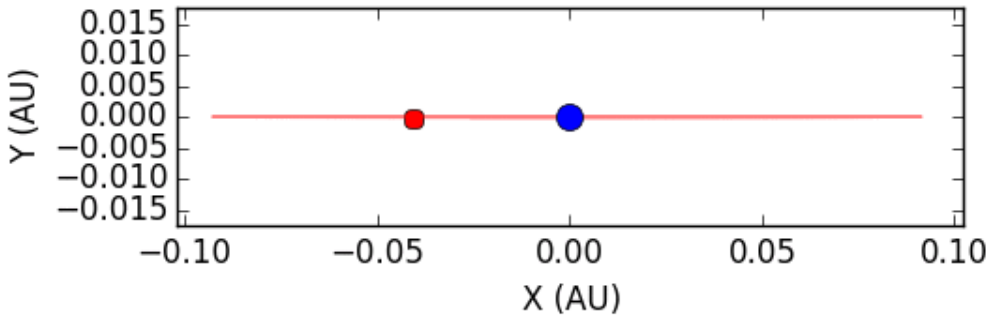


$M_{\rm tot}(M_\odot)$ = 1.68
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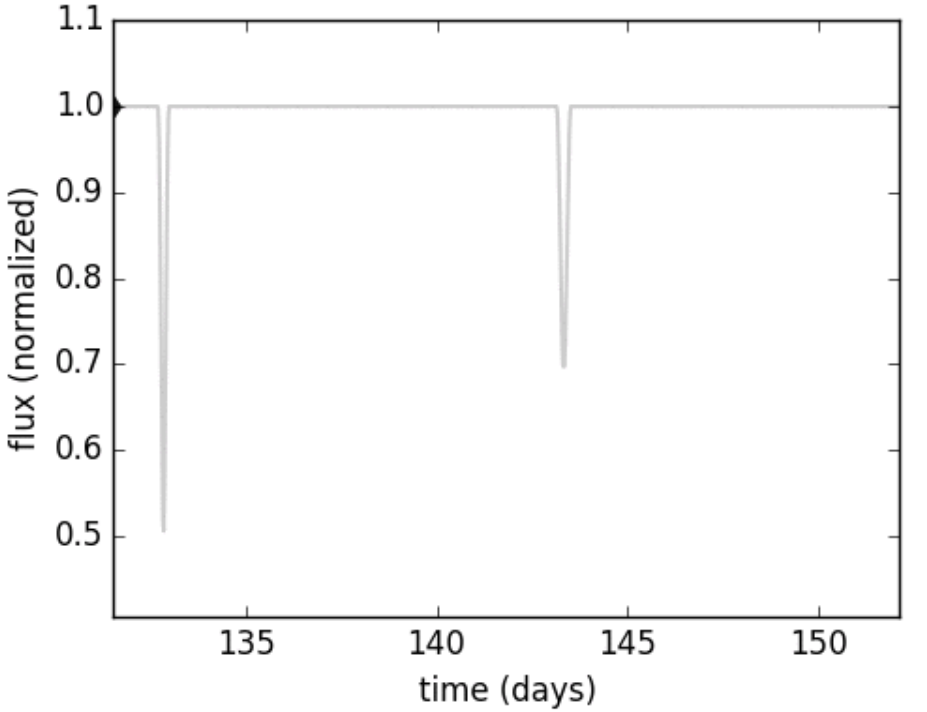


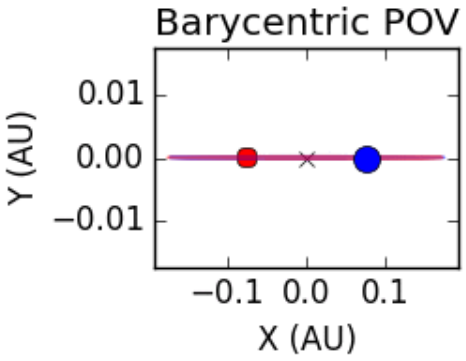


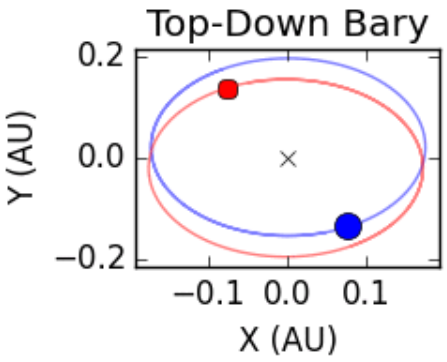

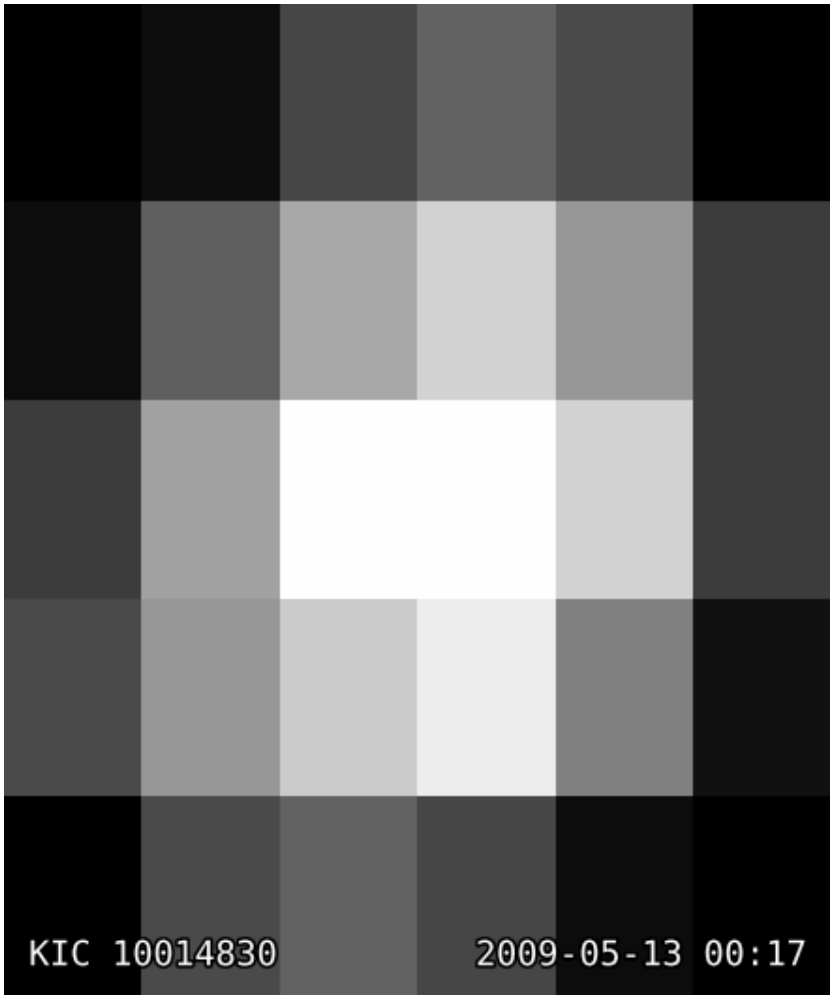
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# Take-away

The **chance alignment** between us and the binary allows us to **extract fundamental properties of the system**, such as the orbital geometry, mass, radius, and temperature of the stars

+ validate stellar evolution models
+ distinguish whether a transiting exoplanet is rocky like Earth or gaseous like Neptune
+ understand how galaxies evolve with time

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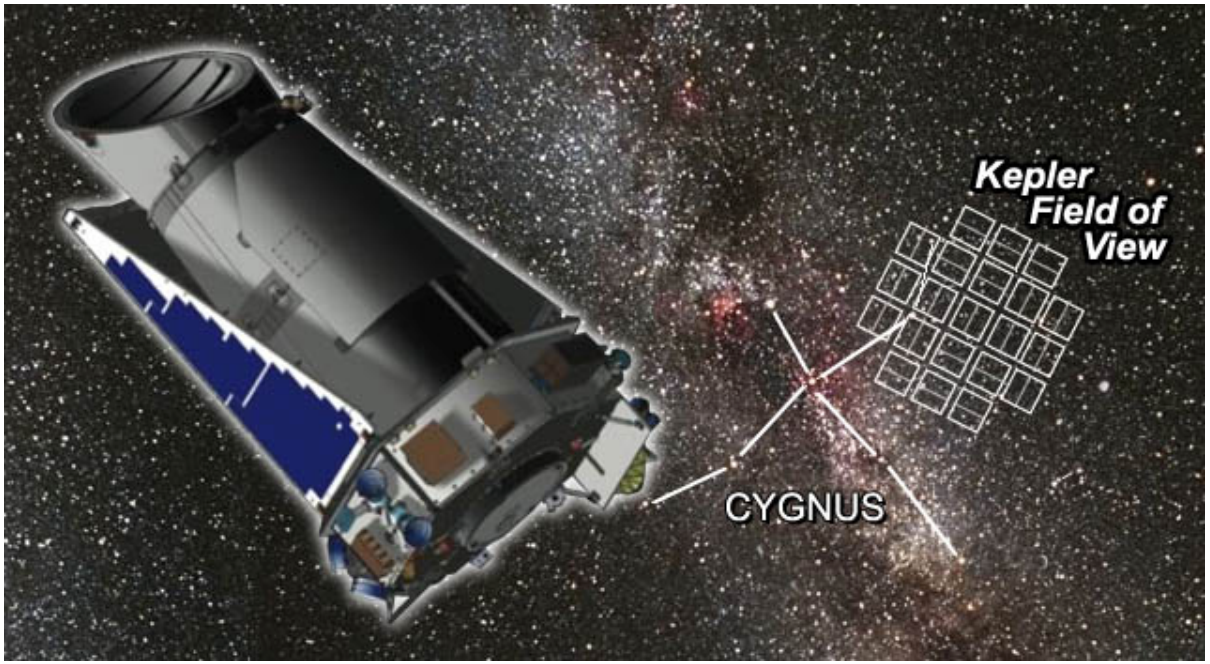

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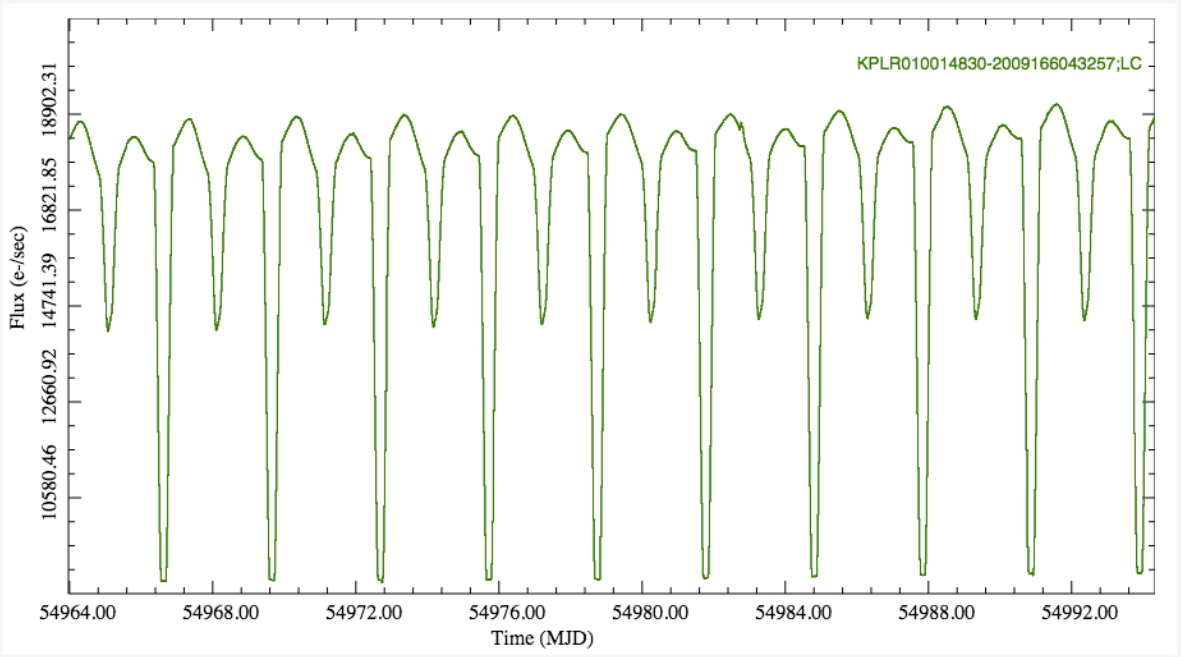

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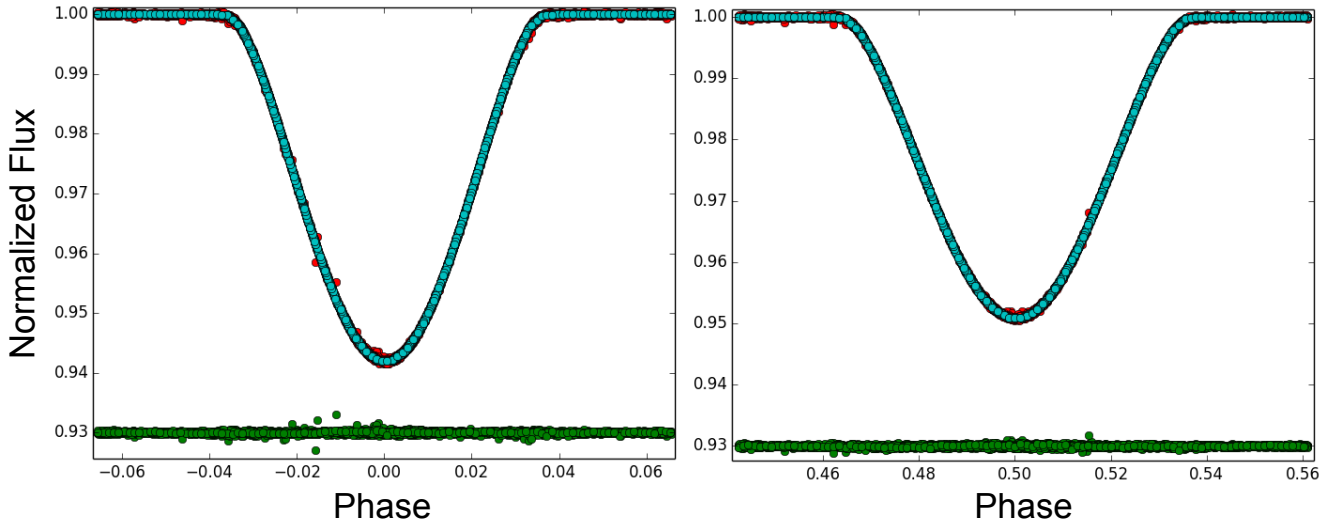
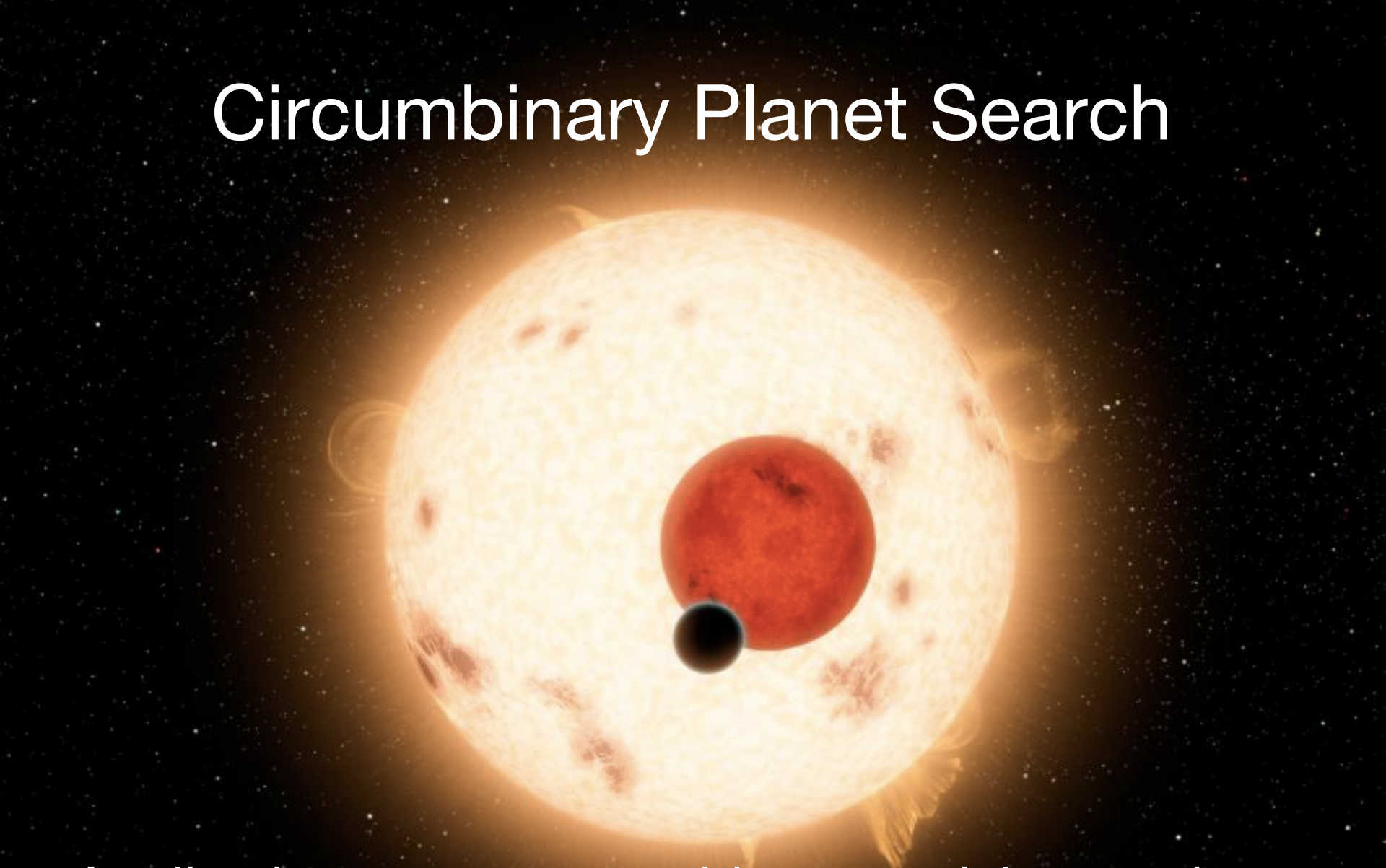
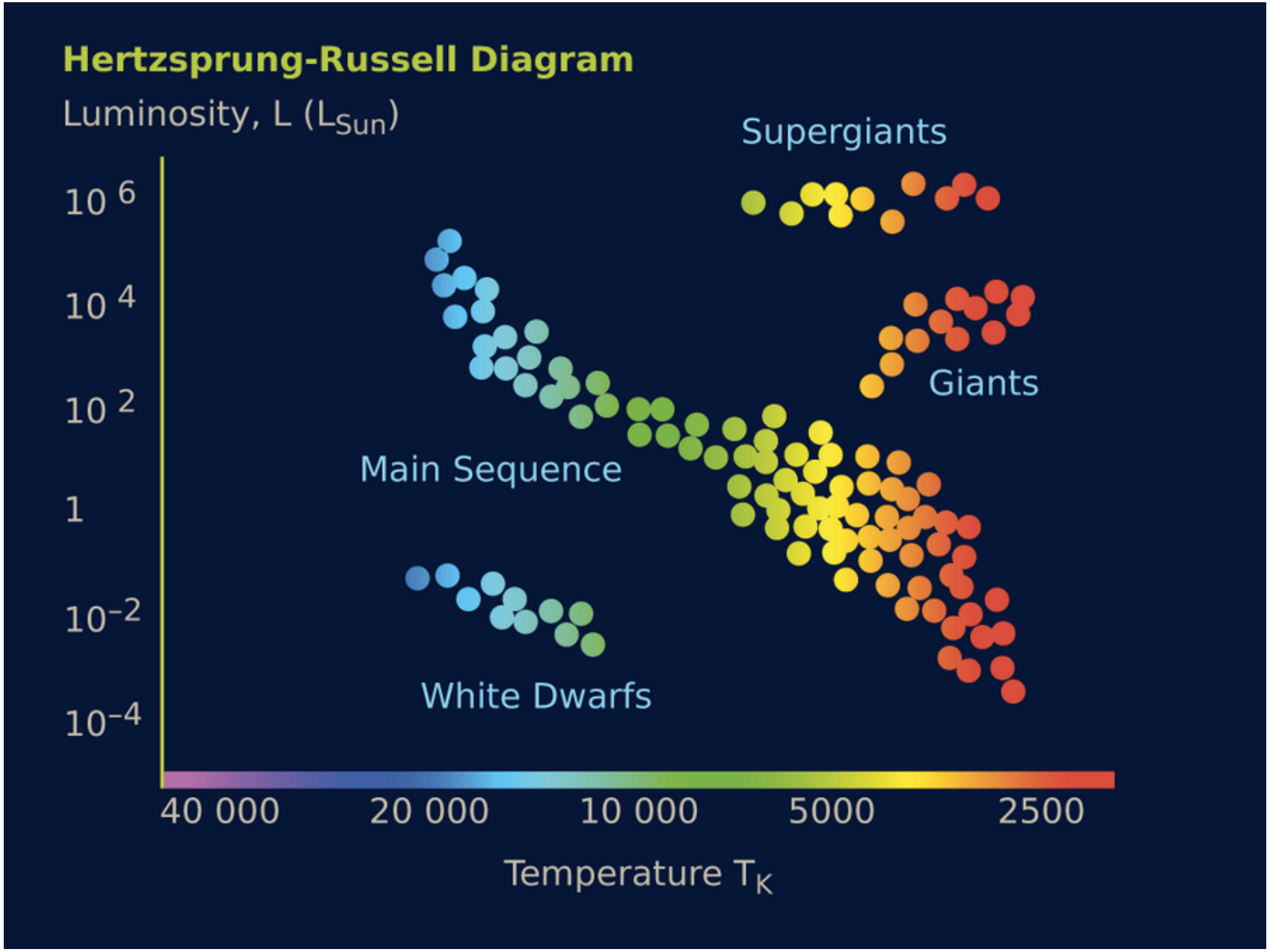



- analyze total light as a function of time
- make models for each system to solve for its orbital & stellar parameters

# Circumbinary Planet Search



Application: use accurate binary model to mask out binary signals and strengthen search for circumbinary planet signal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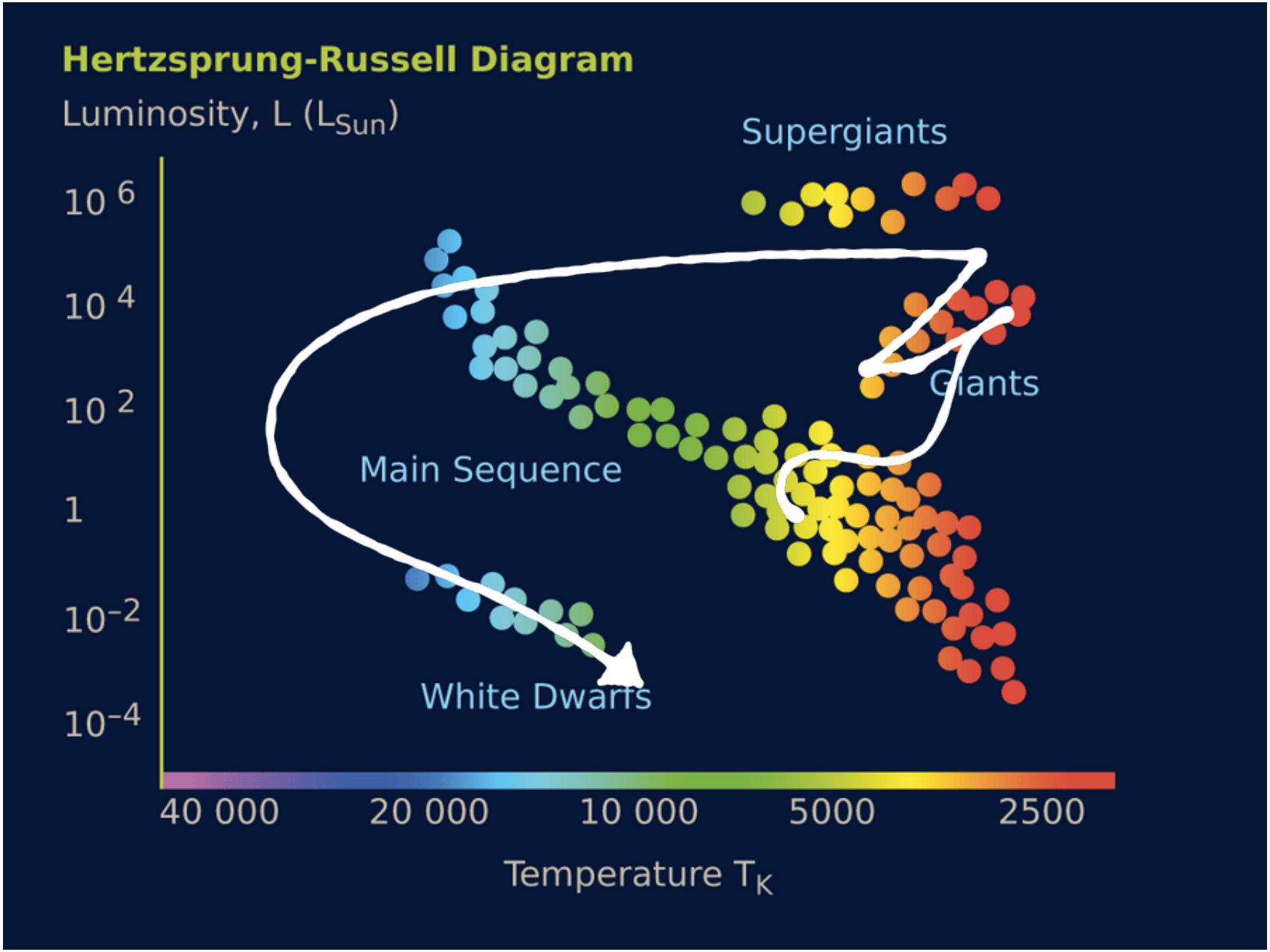
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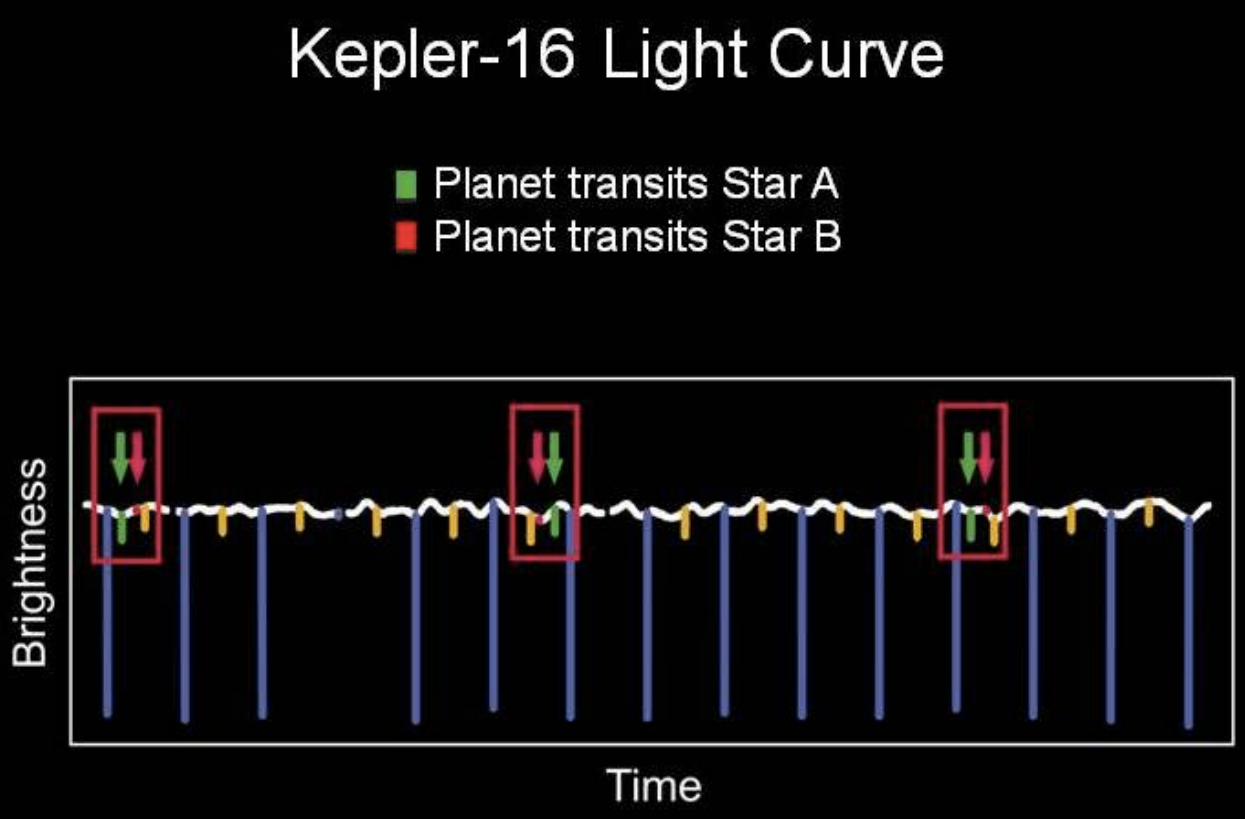


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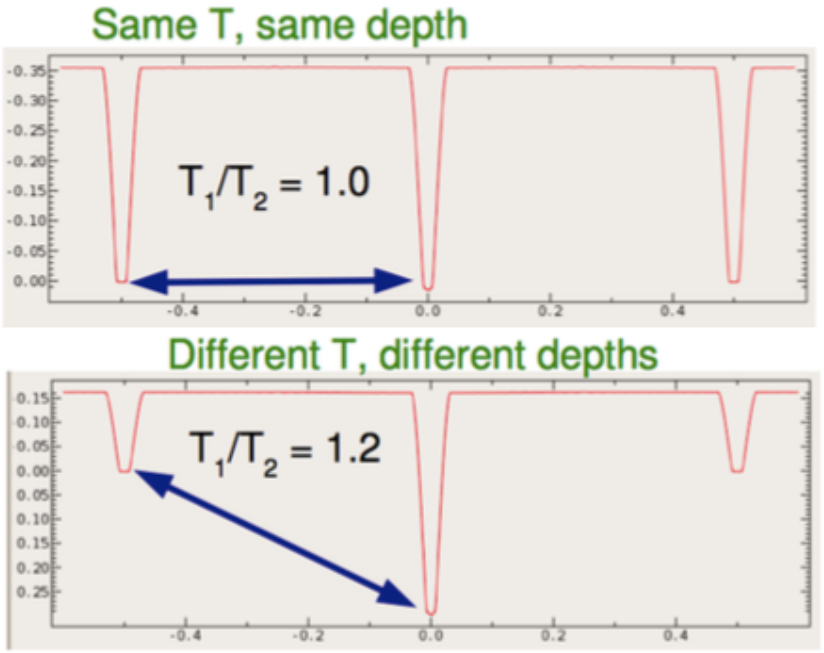
# Properties constrained from light curves:

- Temperature ratio derived from ratio of the eclipse depths

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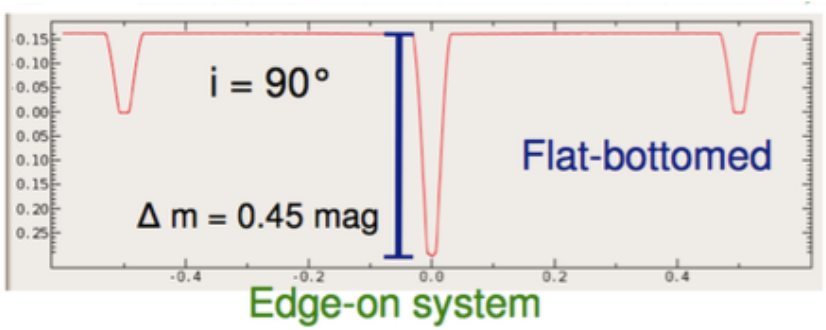
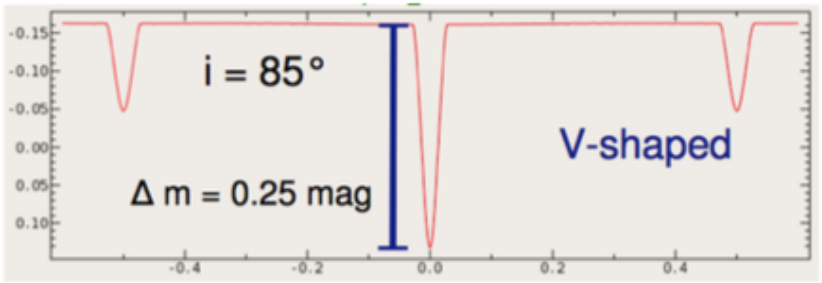
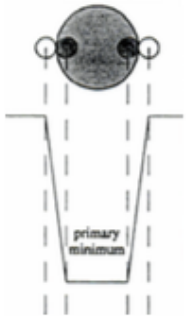
- Inclination angle of the binary system

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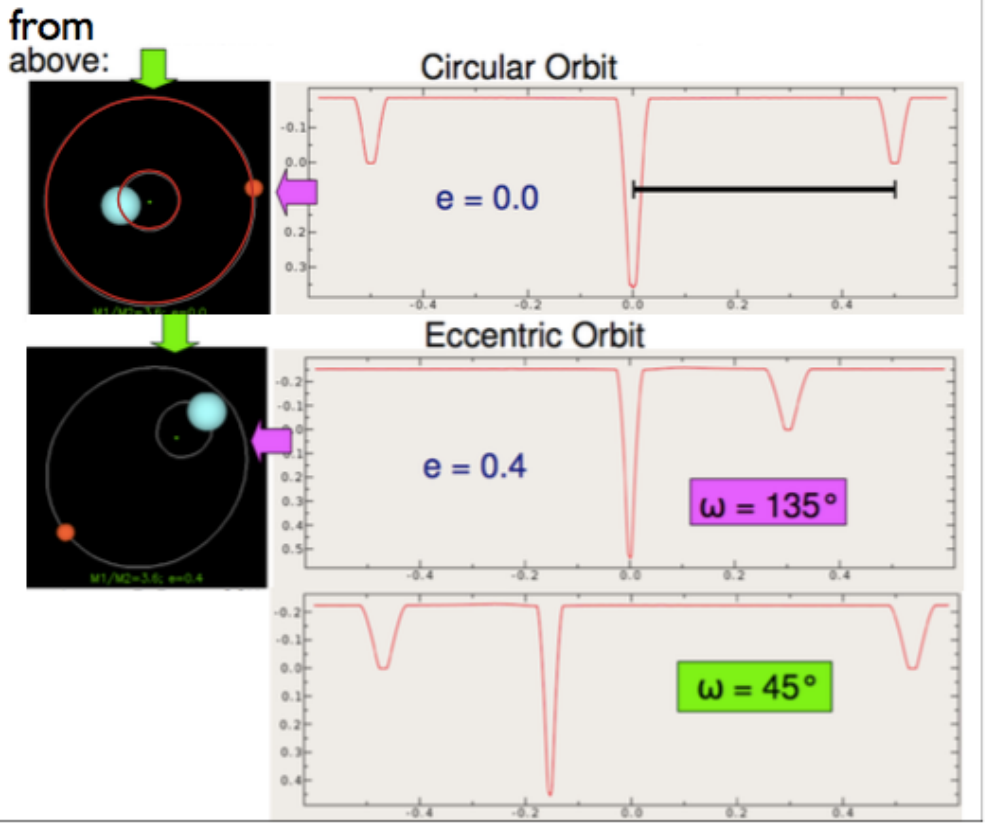
- eccentricity & argument of periastron

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# Properties constrained from light curves:

- Radius of Primary & Secondary:

In general, the radii of both components are determined by the duration of the eclipses

$R_{small} = V_{rel}/2*(t_2-t_1)$

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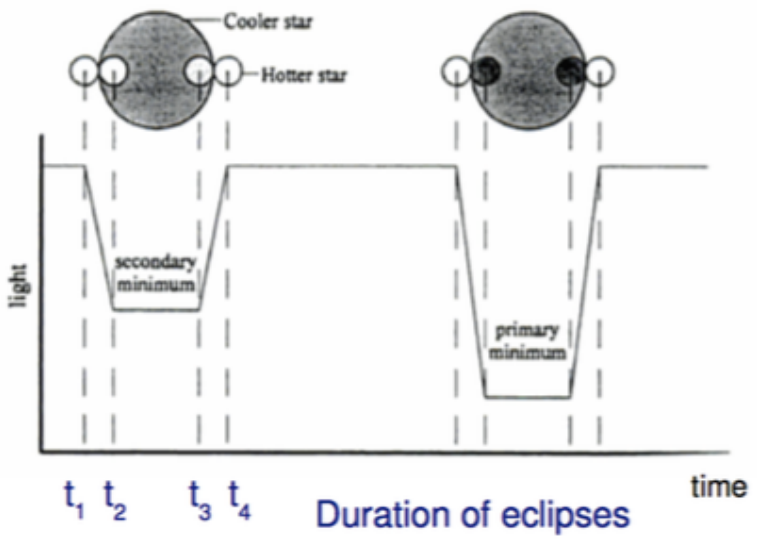


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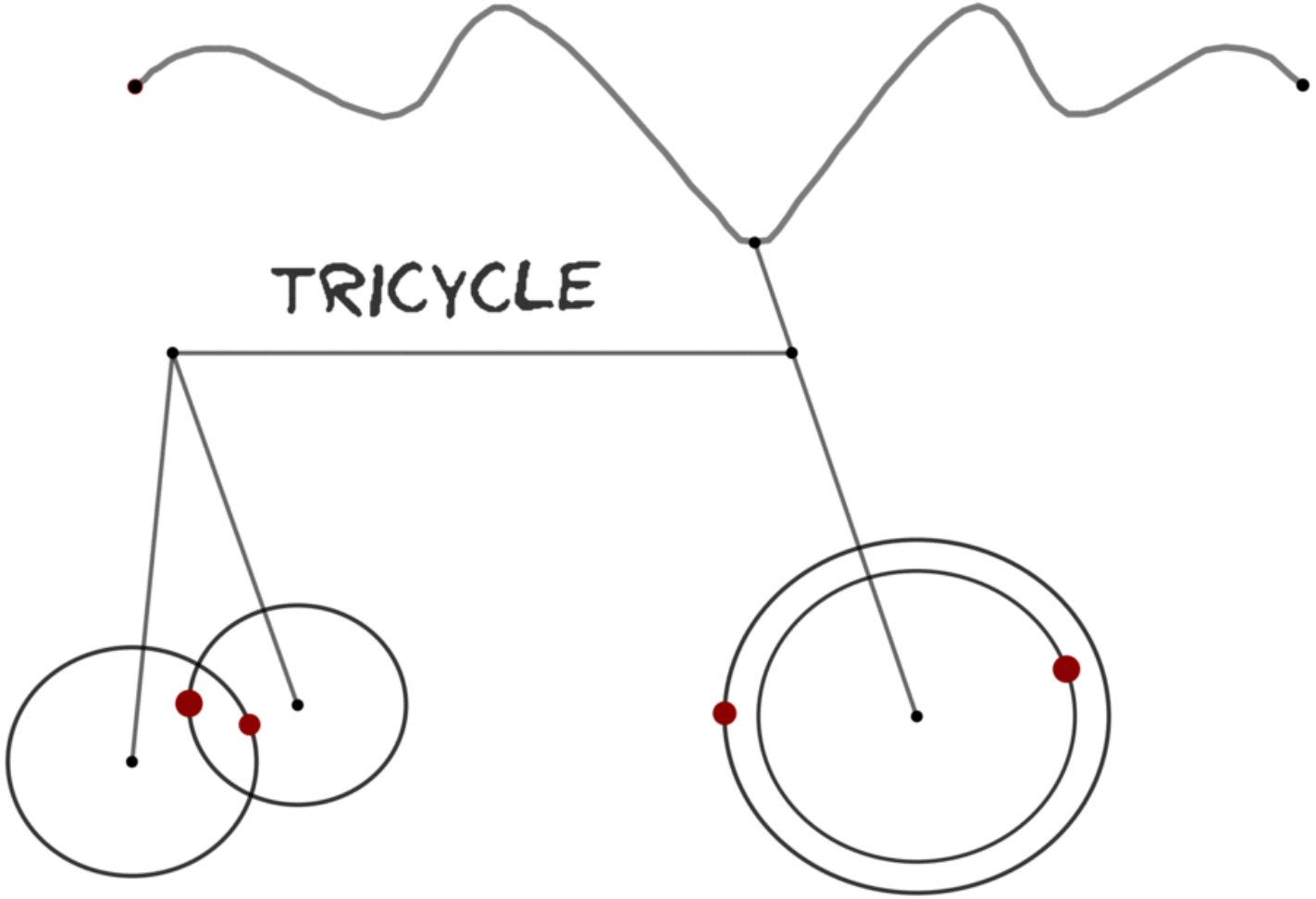


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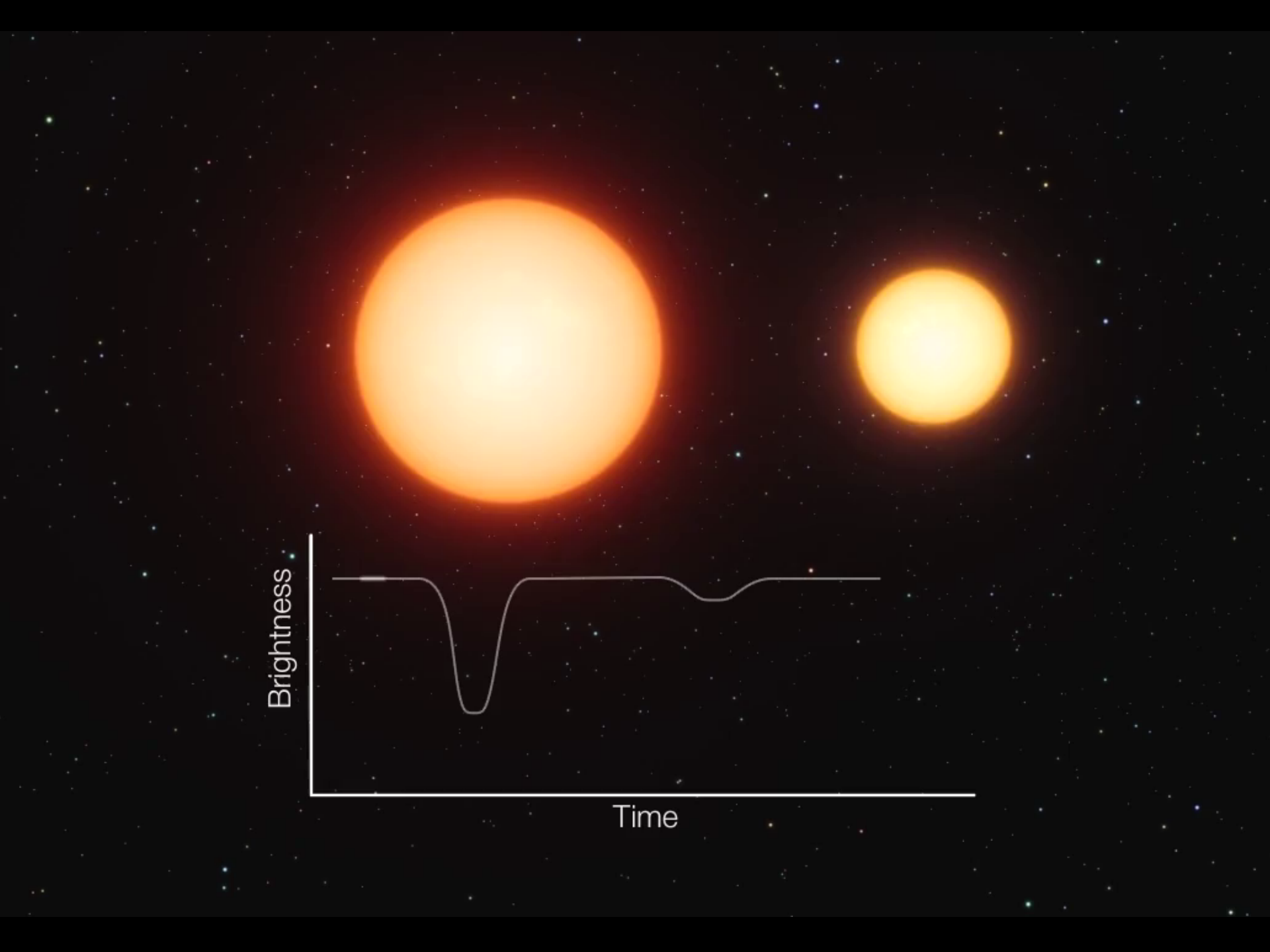
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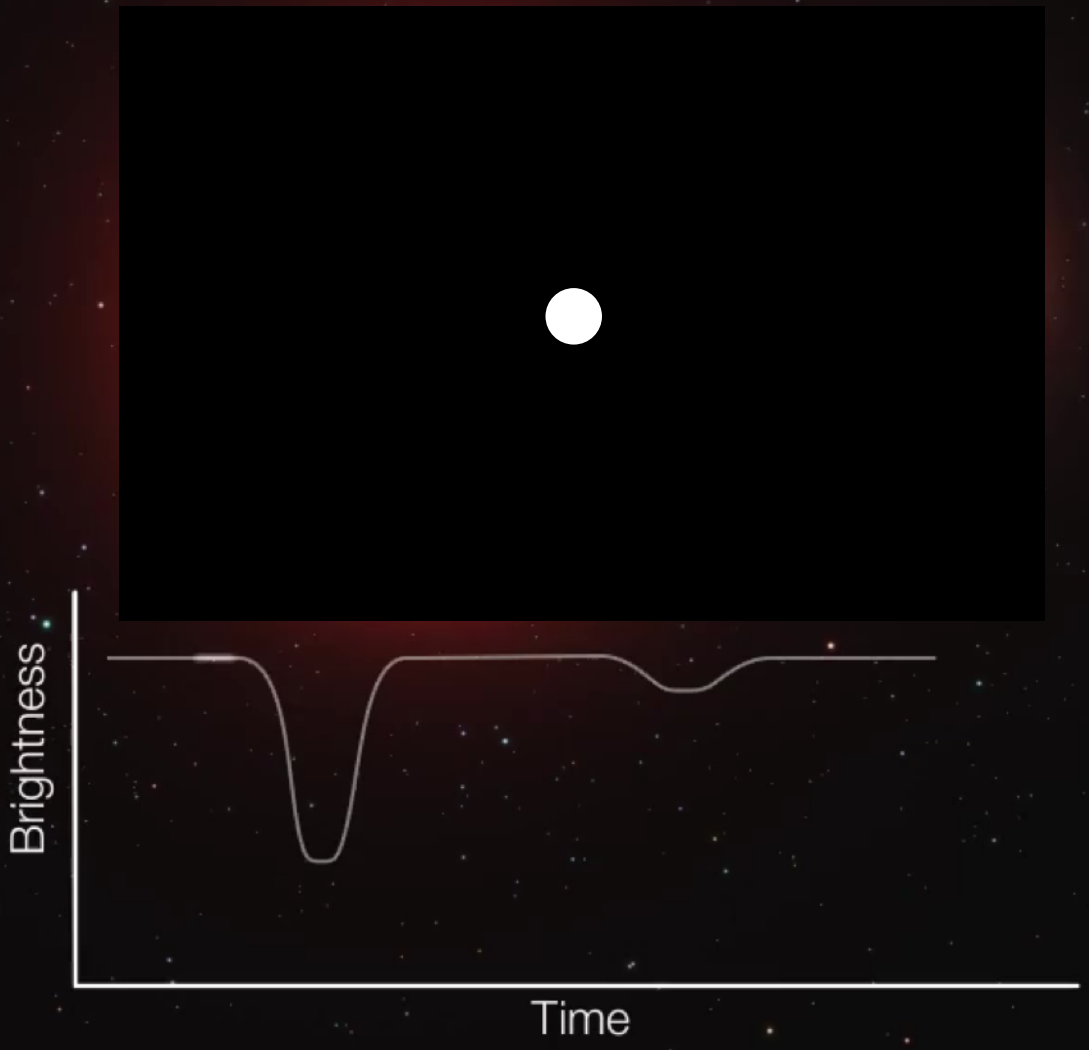
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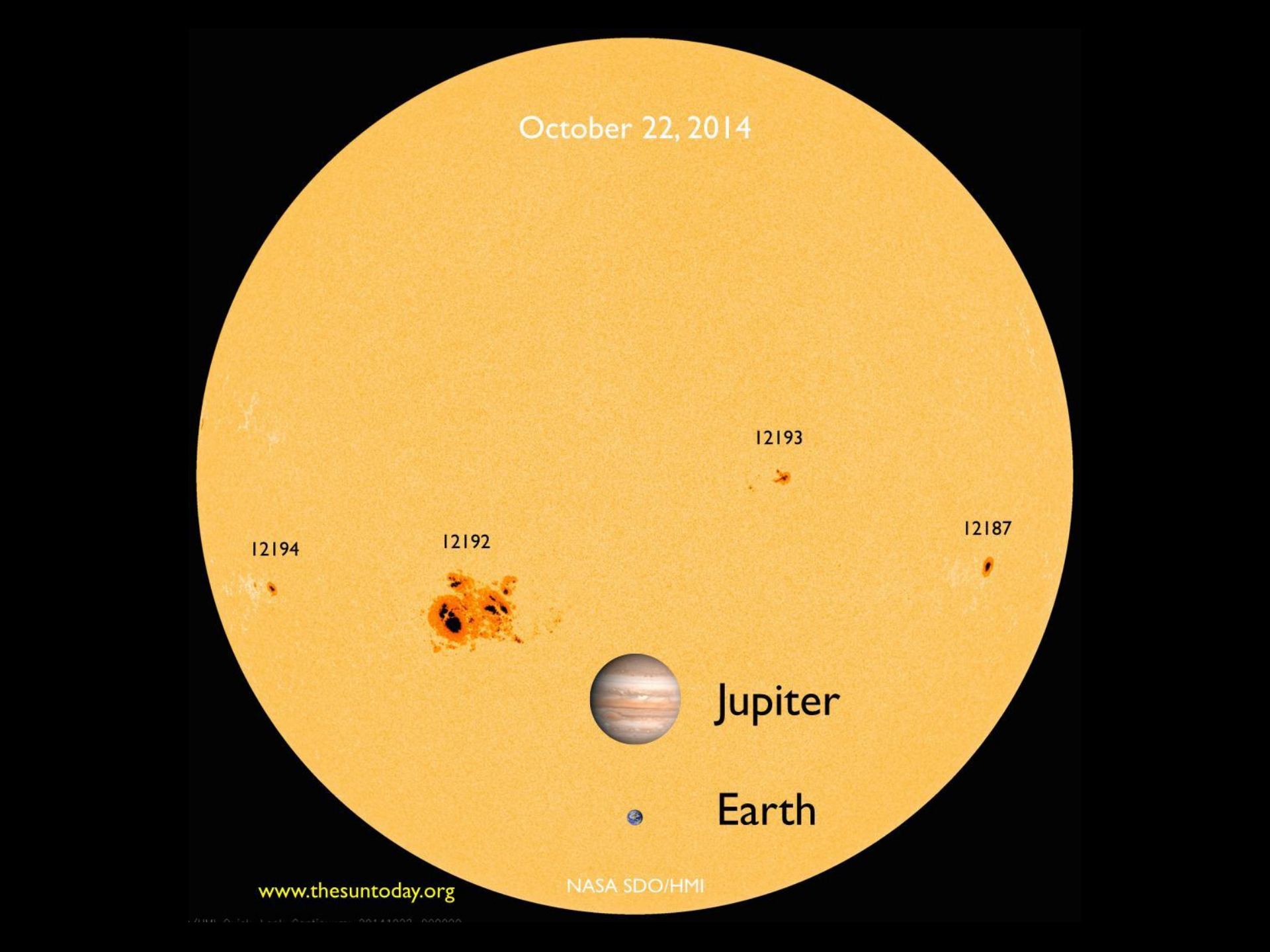
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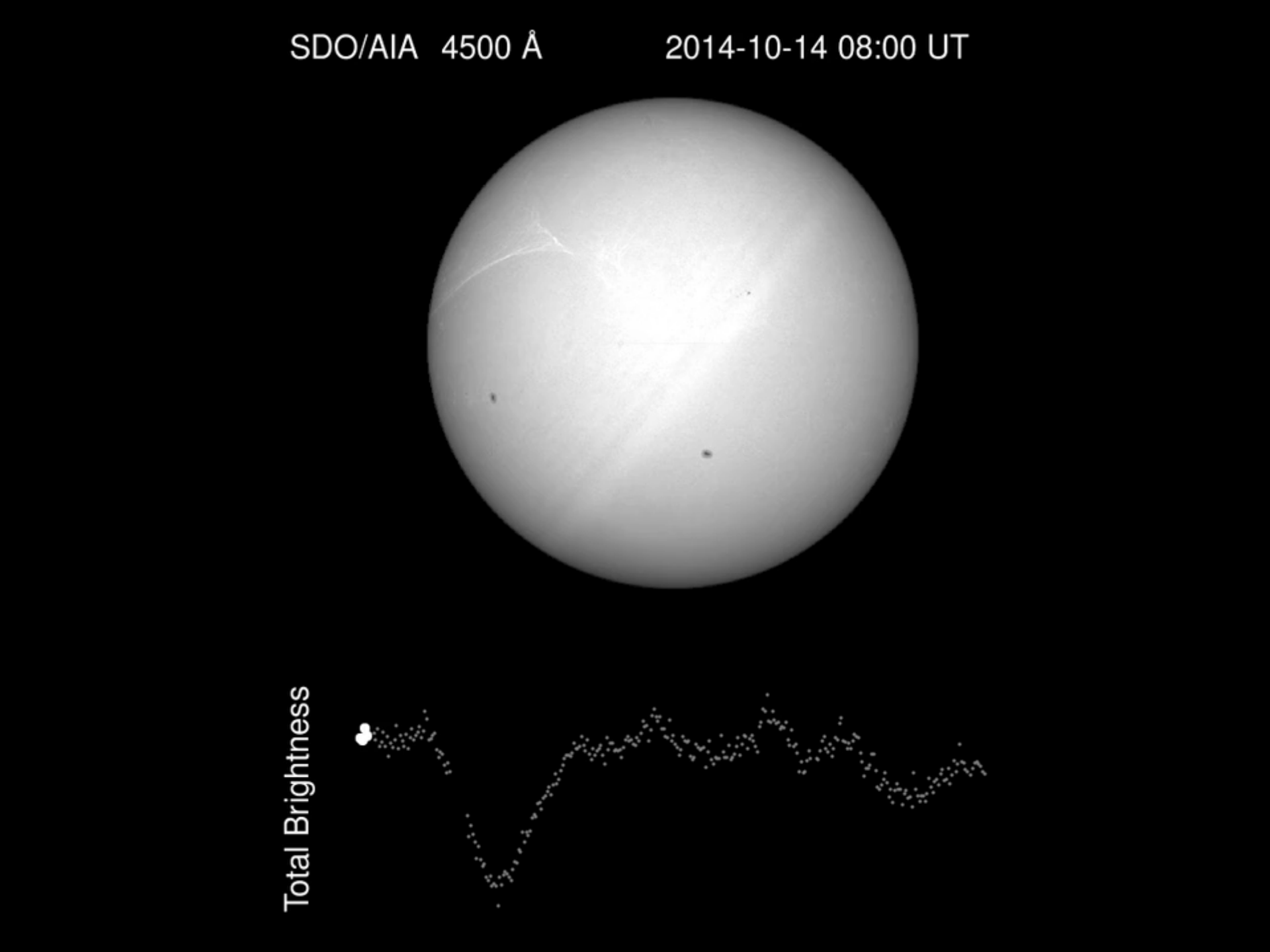
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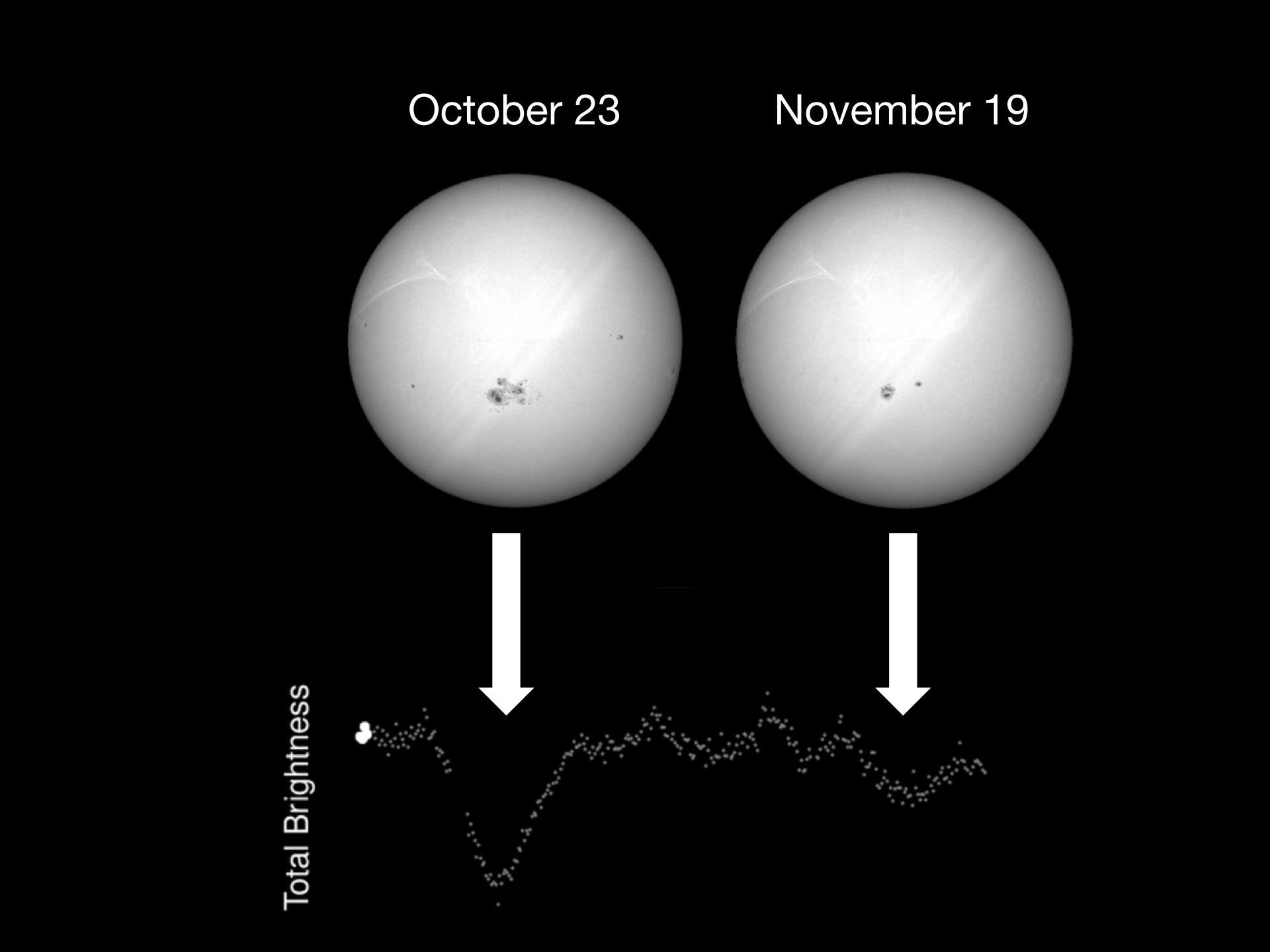
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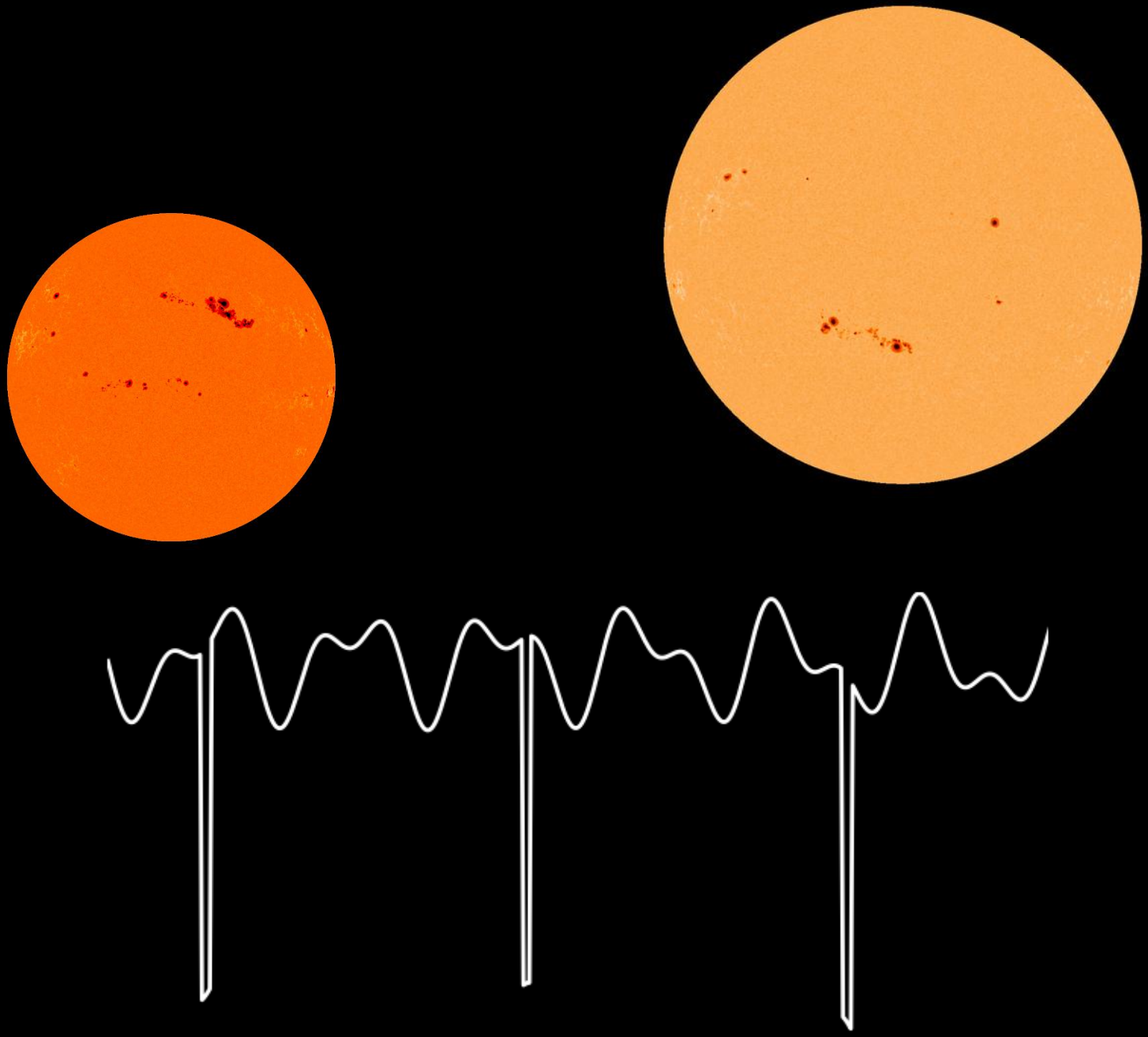

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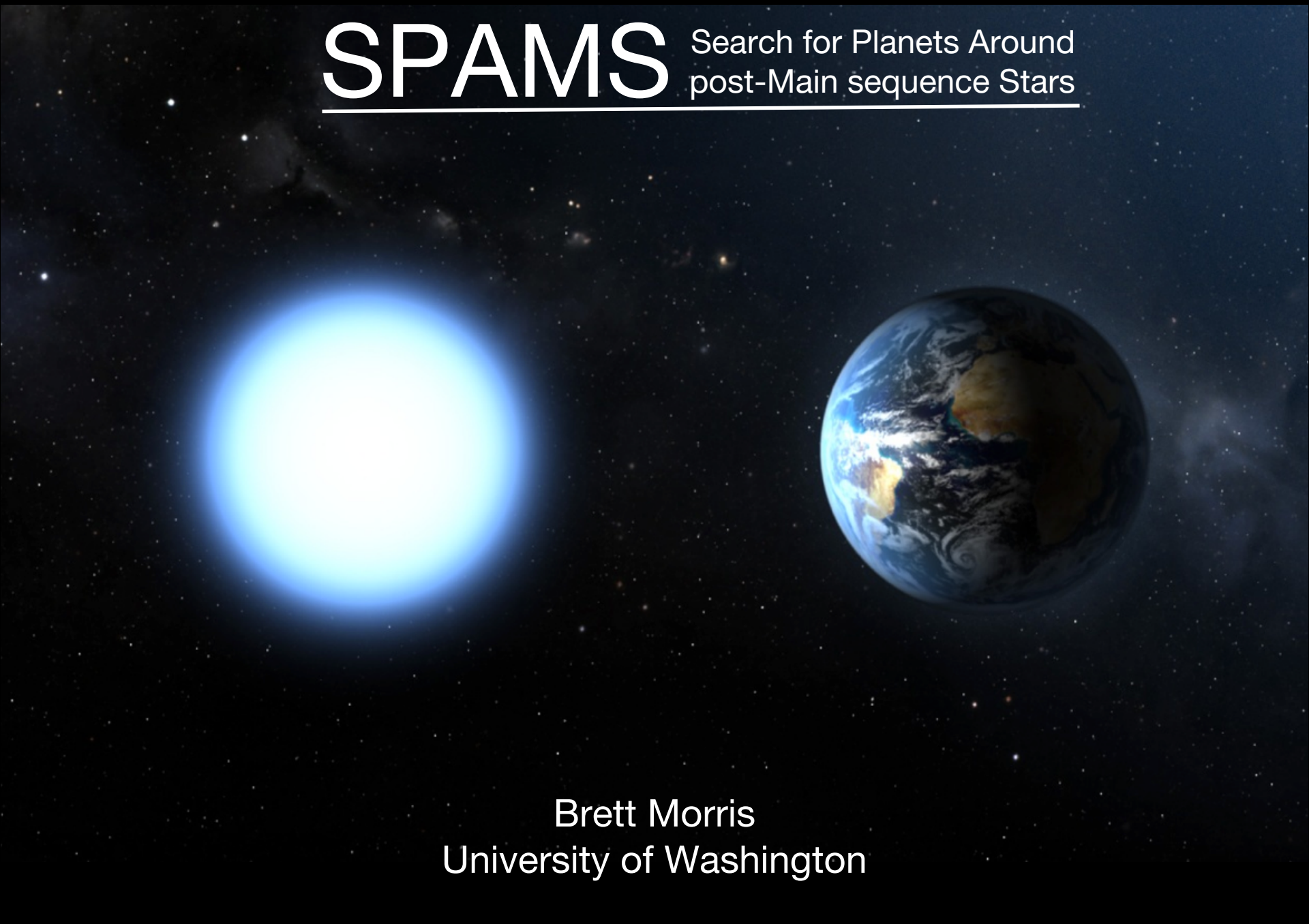

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# Kepler Mission:

Planet-finder extraordinaire

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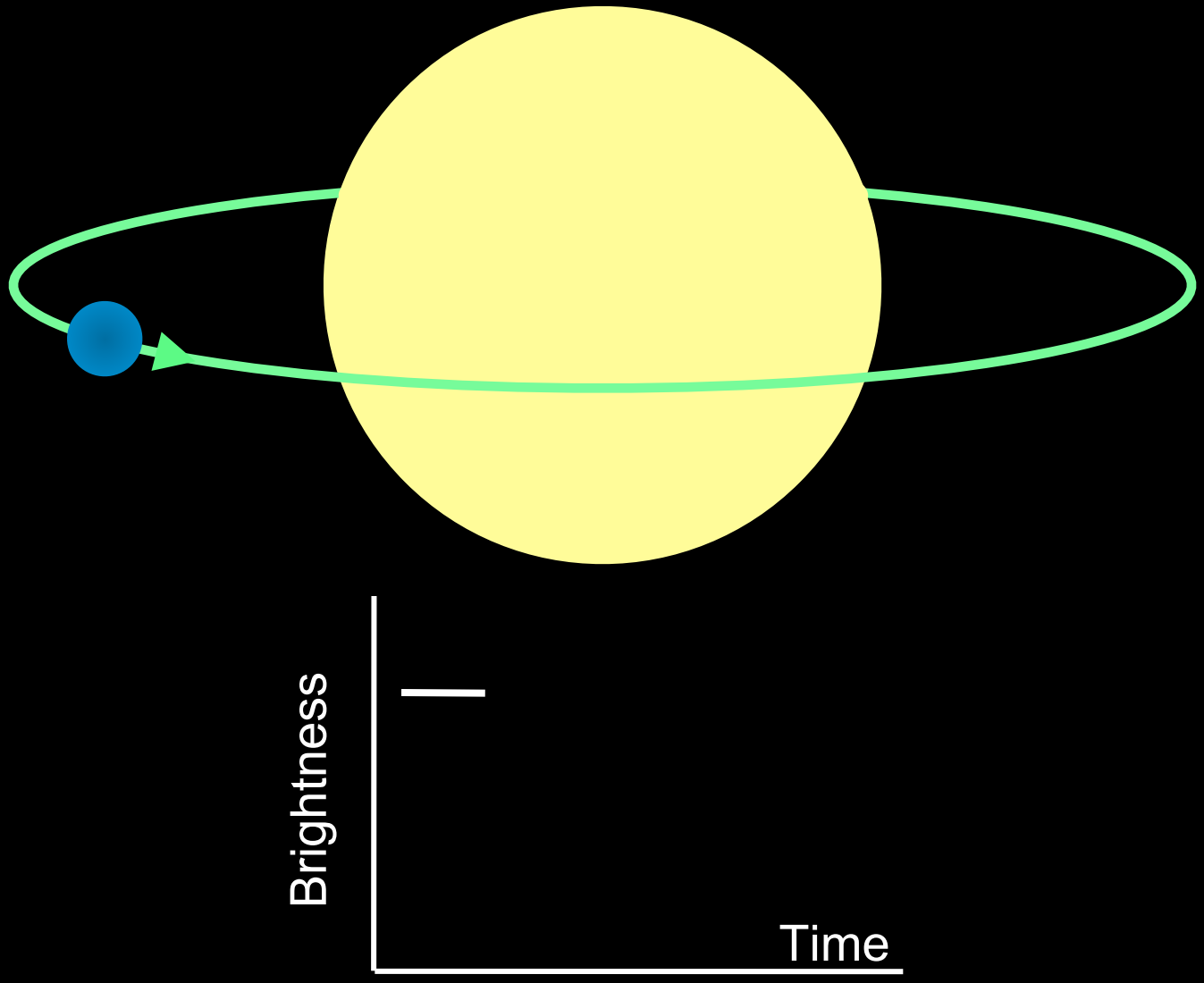

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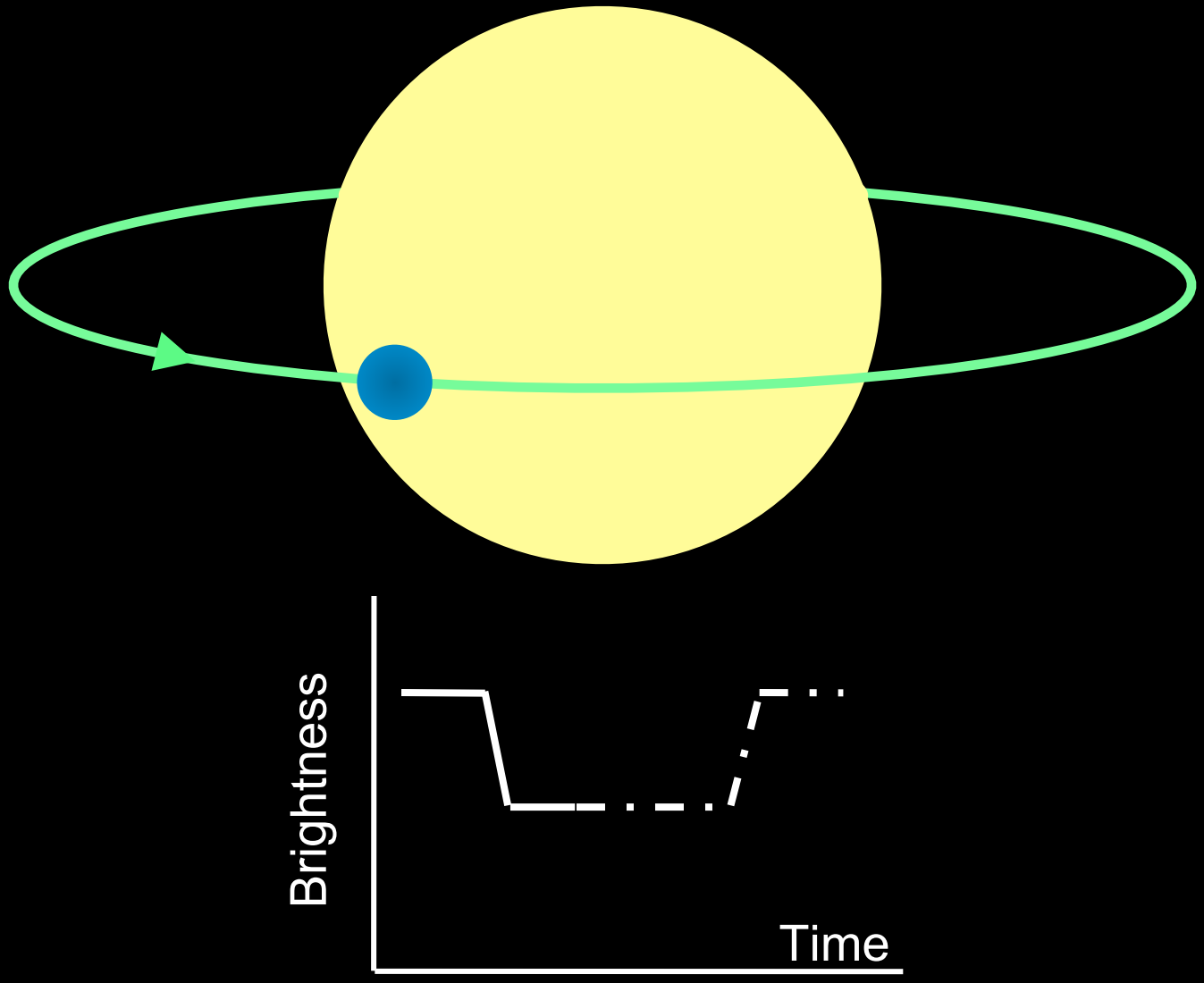

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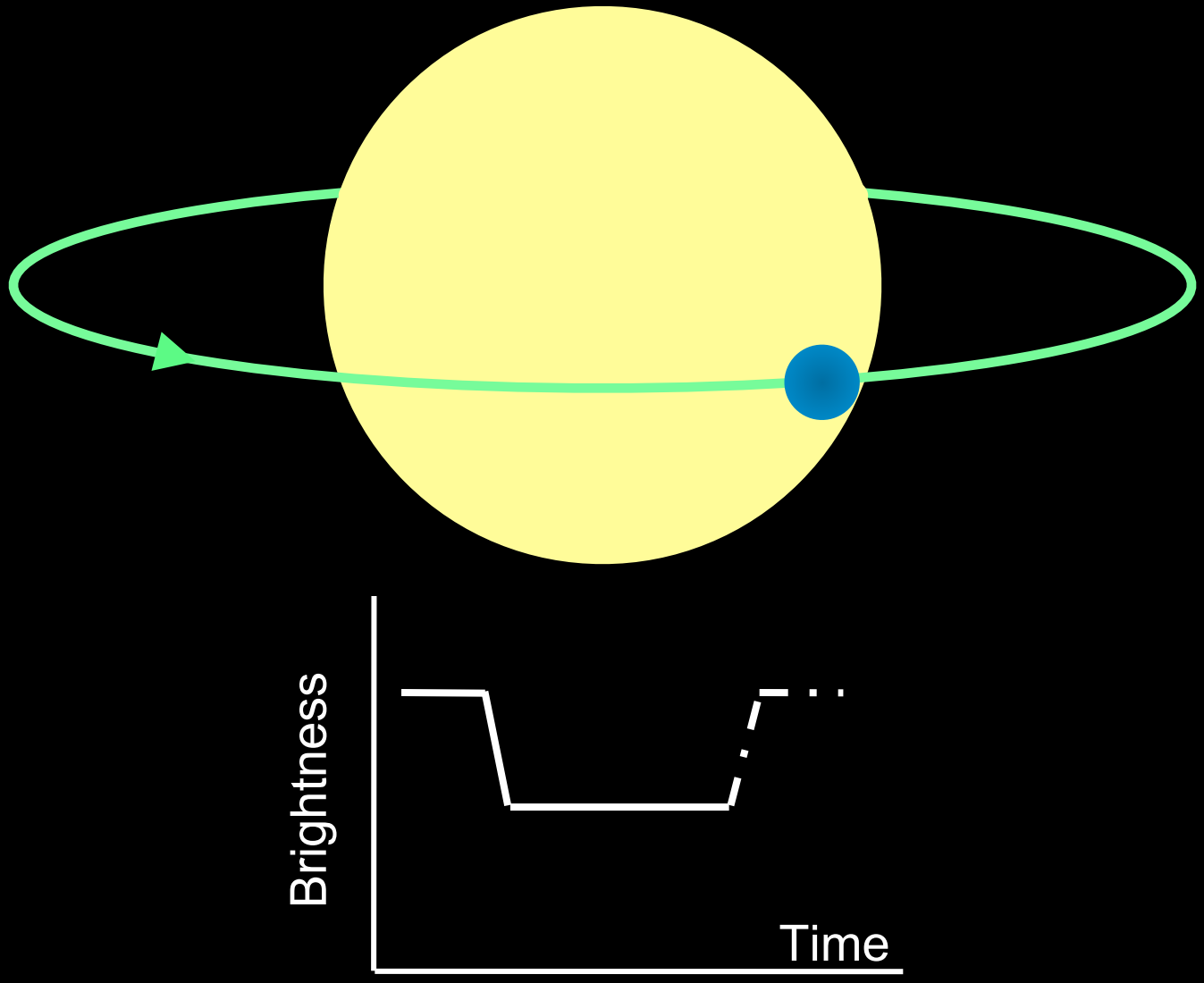

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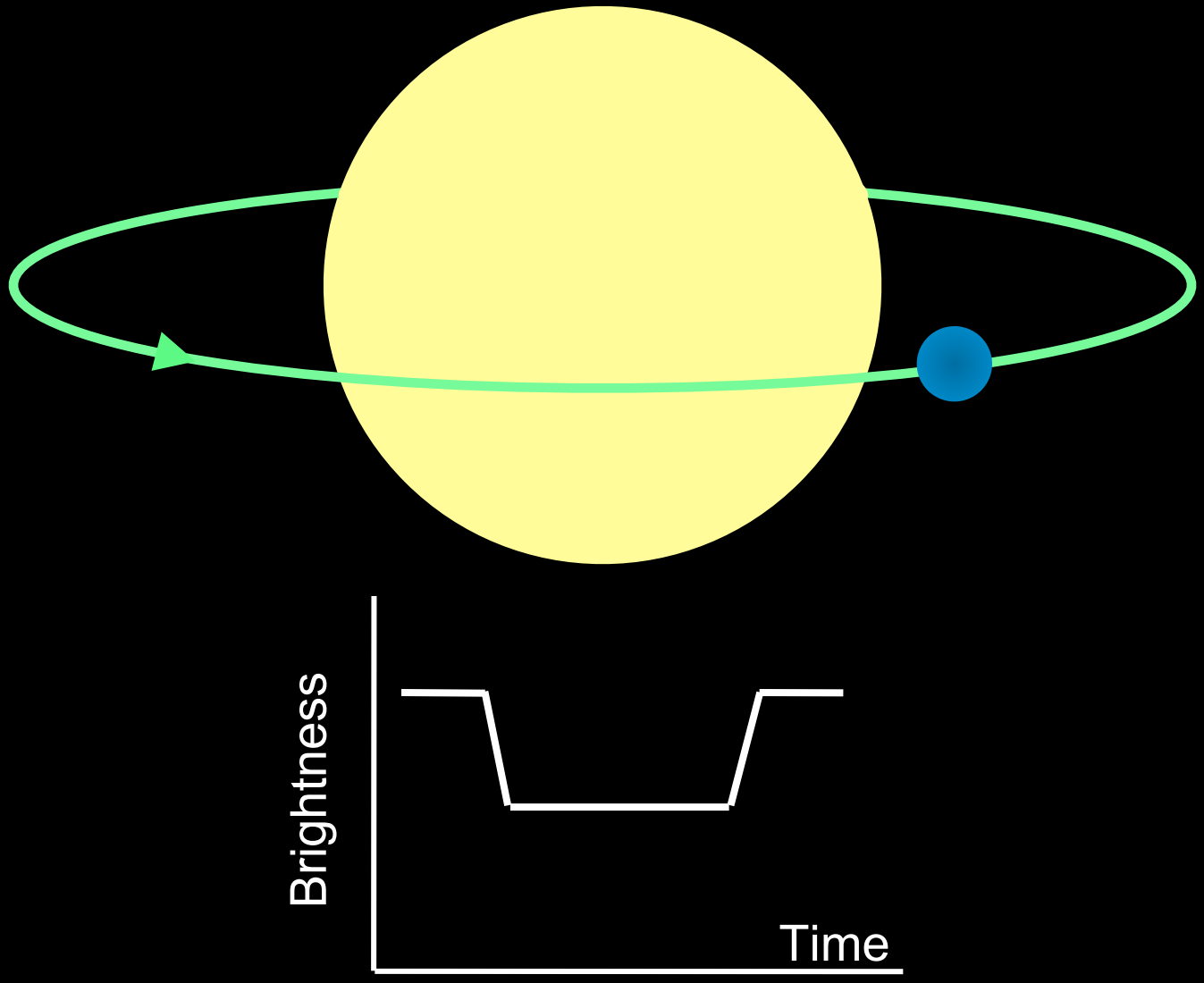


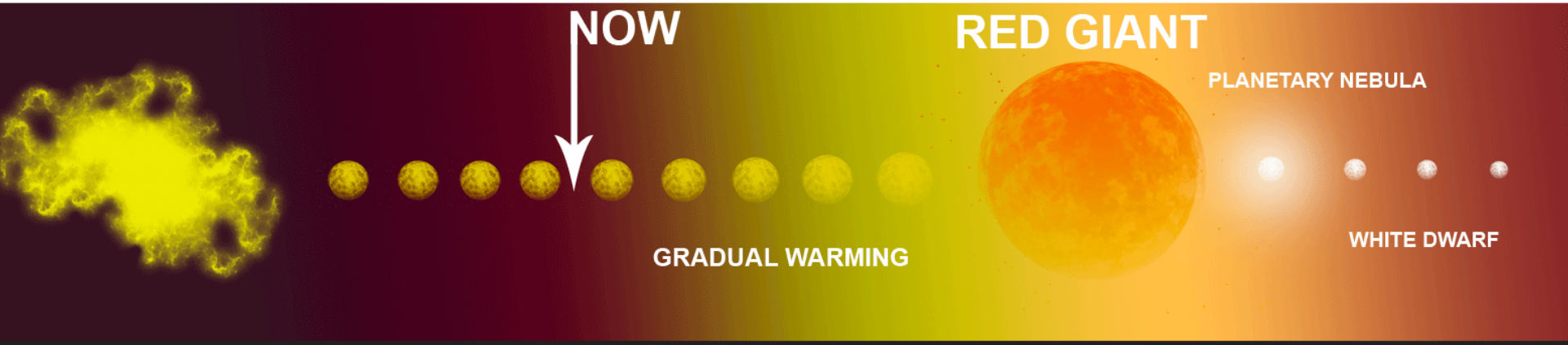
# Lessons from Kepler Mission:

*Sun-like* stars host planets

**Morbid questions post-Kepler Mission:**

What happens to all those planets when their stars die?

# LIFE CYCLE OF THE SUN

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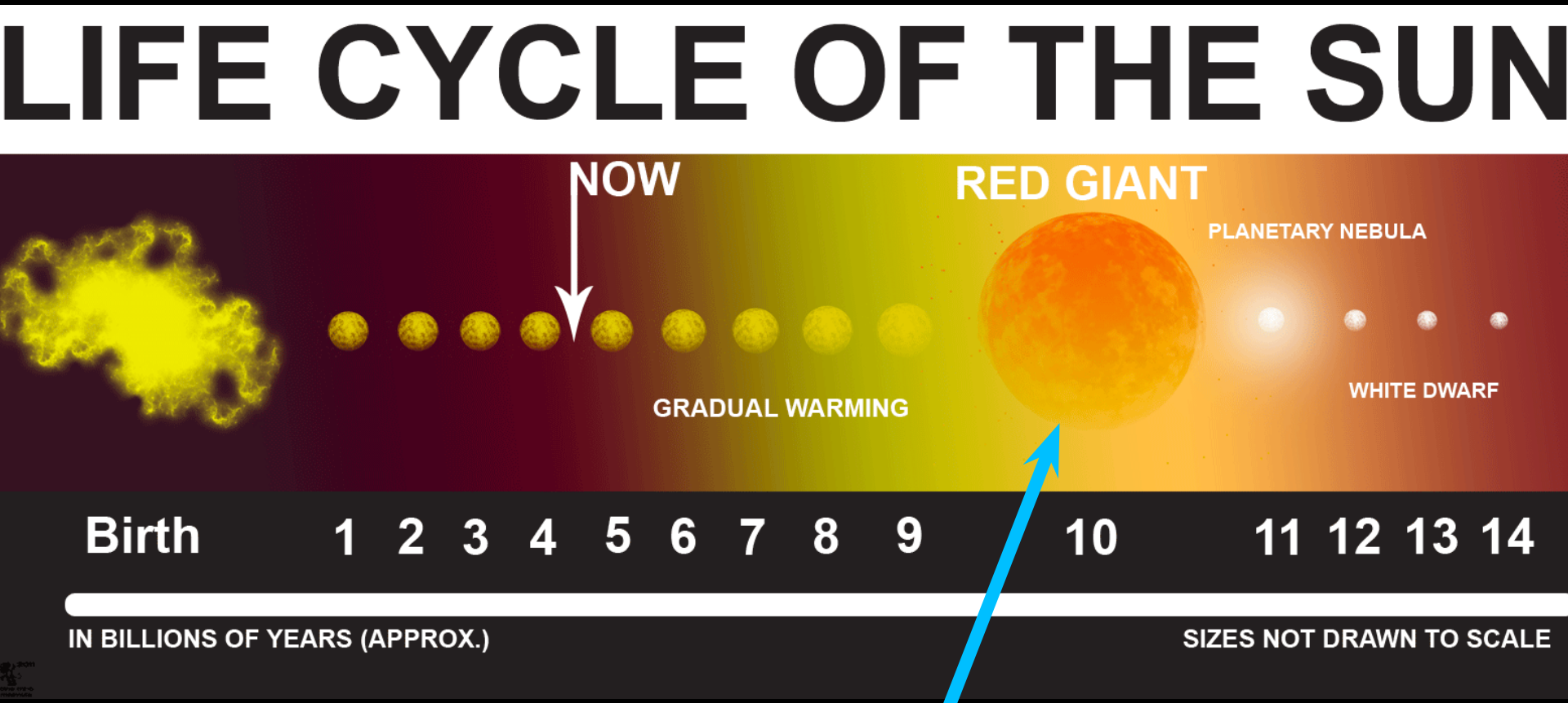
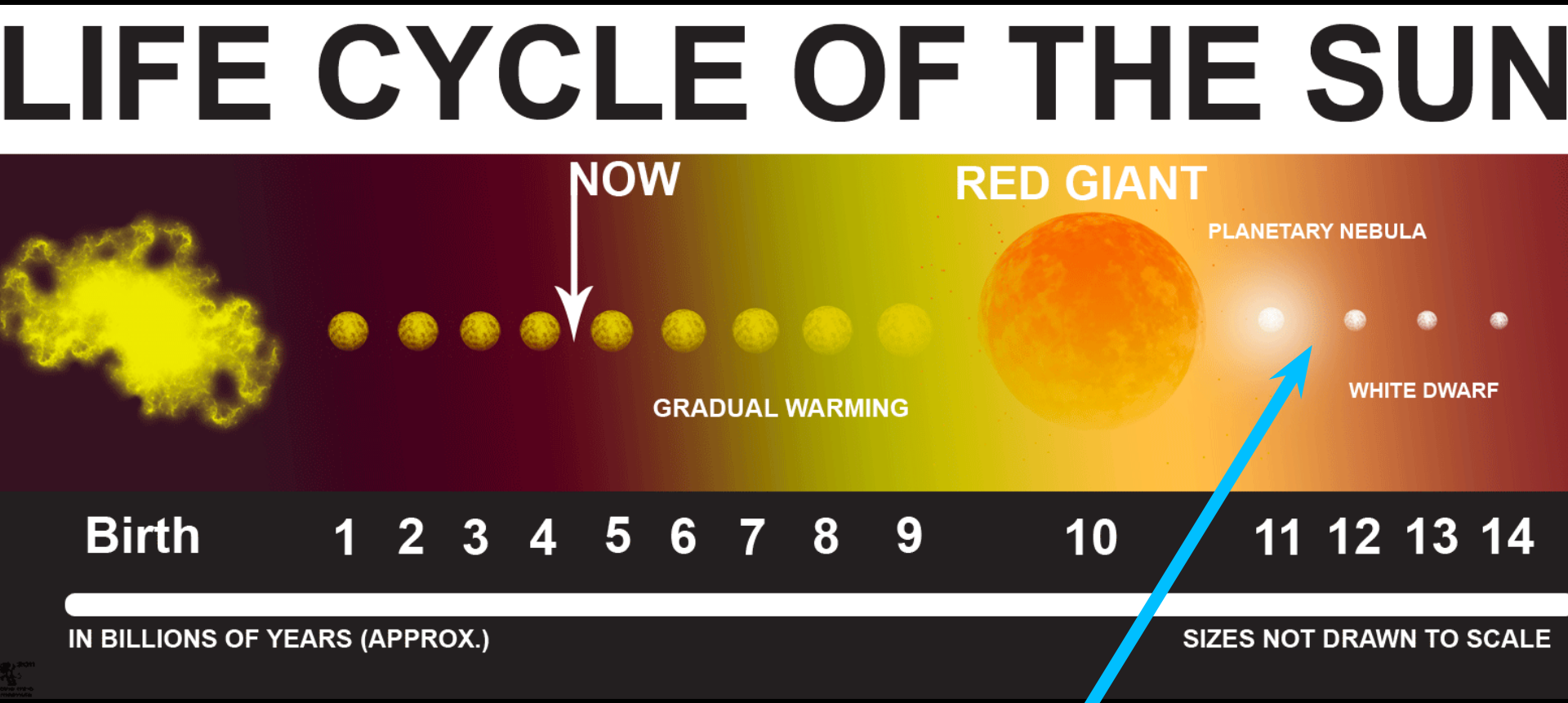


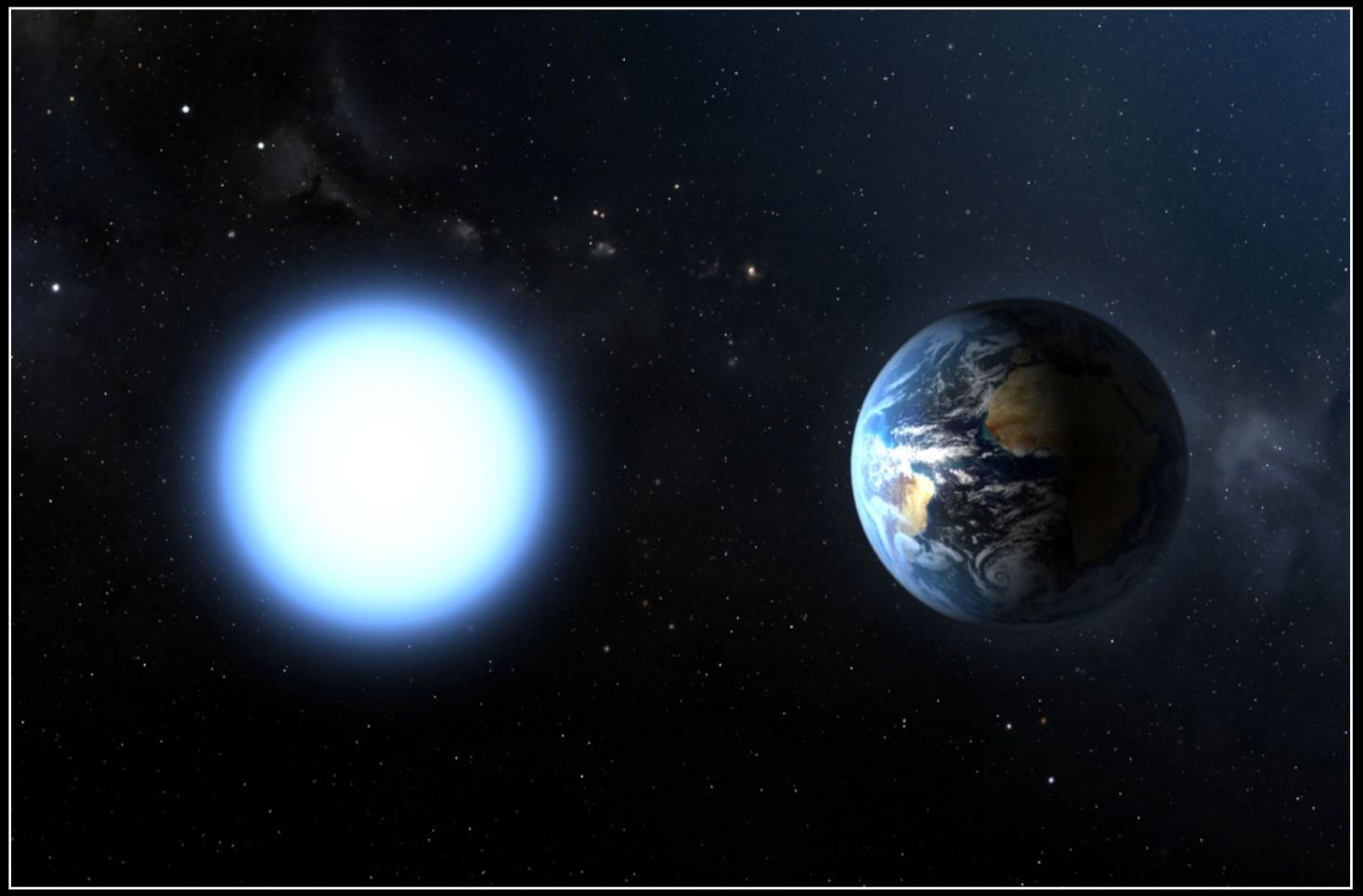

Mercury, Venus (+ Earth?) destroyed




Mars and outer planets survive?

# What if we looked at White Dwarfs?

Smaller Stars = Bigger Transit Signal



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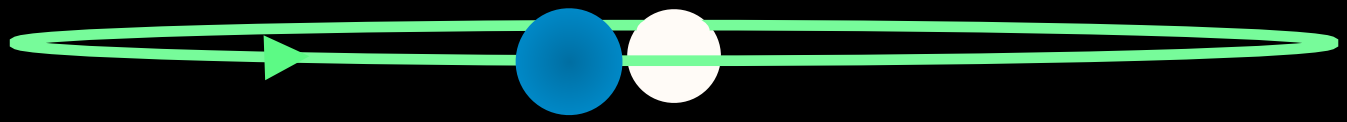

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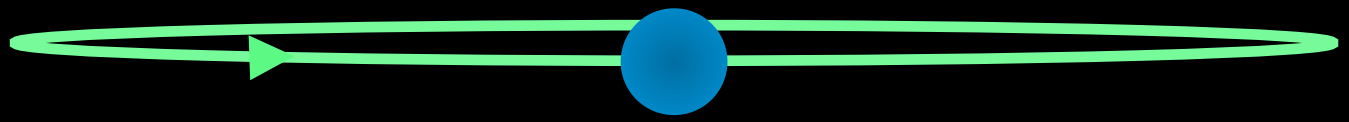
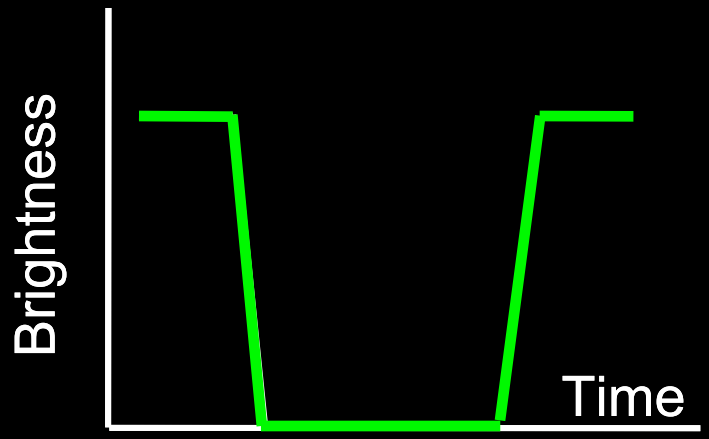
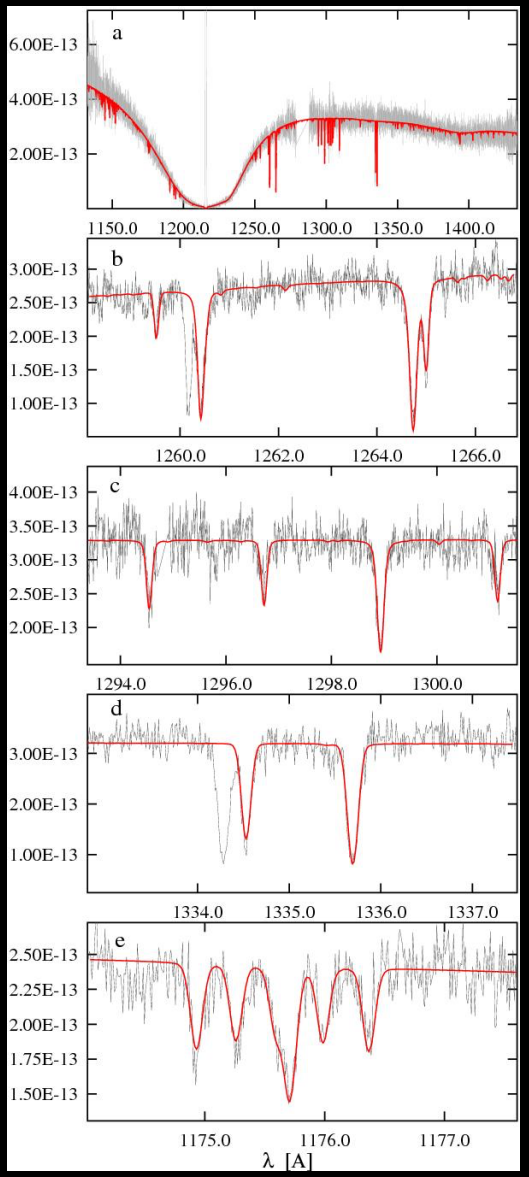




# Do White Dwarfs Have Planets?

- Spectroscopy shows rock/metals fall on some WDs
- Is the rock/metal from rocky planetary debris (i.e. dying zombie planets)?

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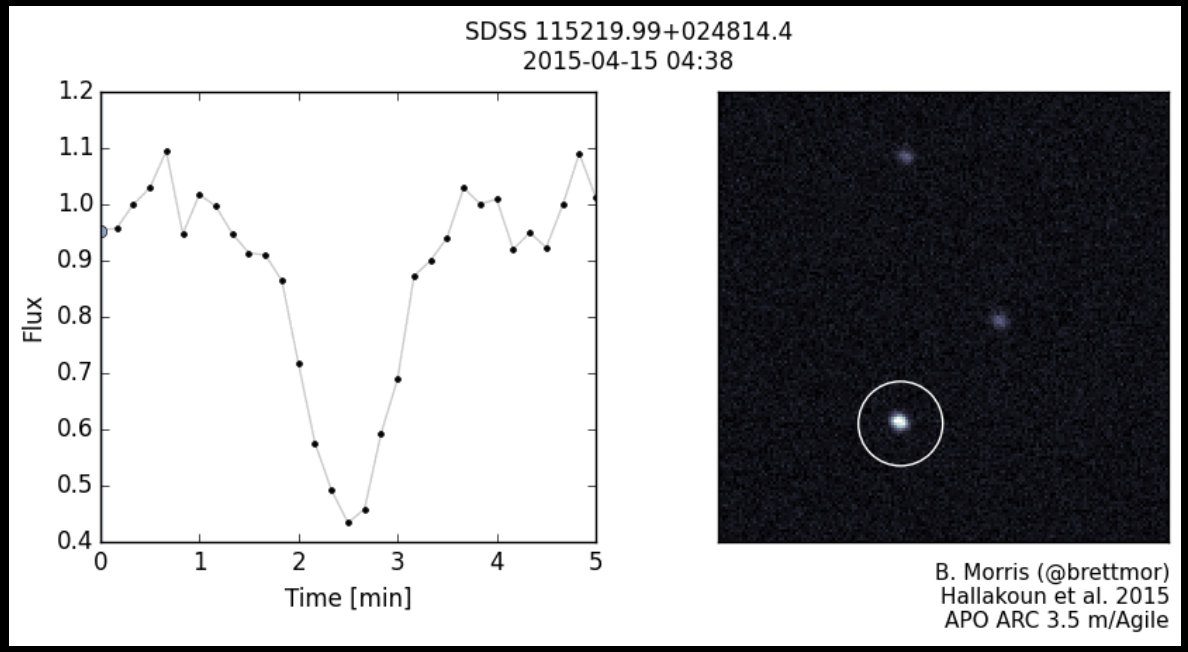



# High-Speed Photometry with Agile

# SPAMS Search for Planets Around post-Main sequence Stars

- **We will work together in**  python™ **to:**
  - Scan light curves for transits
  - Measure confidence of null detections
  - Reevaluate SPAMS search strategy

# SPAMS Search for Planets Around post-Main sequence Stars

- **Ultimate goals:**
  - Search for planets
    - Candidates? Propose for follow-up
    - Nothing? Search some more!
- **If you continue on with this project:**
  - Provided we get telescope time, we will reduce and analyze more data
  - Hunt for planets!

# SPAMS Search for Planets Around post-Main sequence Stars

- Questions?

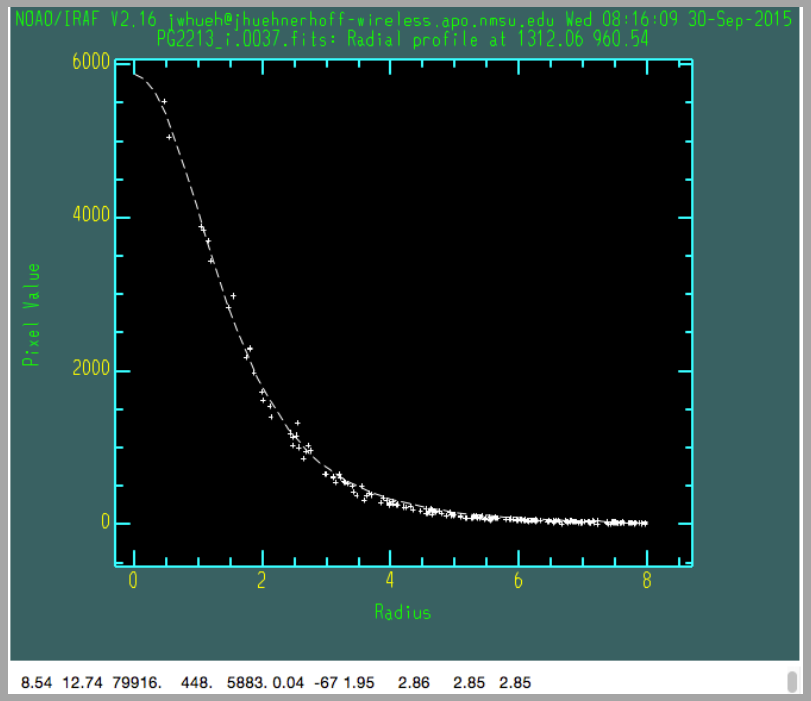
# Dome Flow Analysis

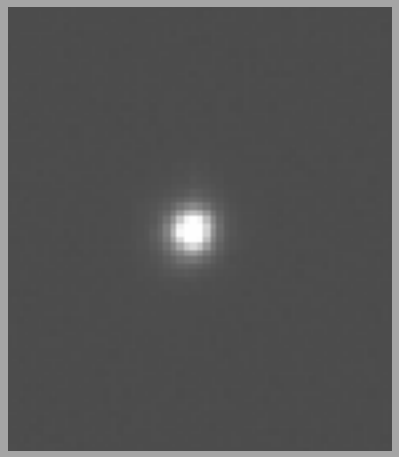
## Apache Point Observatory 3.5m Telescope

Joseph Huehnerhoff

# What is Seeing?

- How well an optical system (i.e. telescope) can resolve a star
- Types of seeing
  - Atmospheric
  - External localized environment (from the ground)
  - Internal localized environment (in the dome)
- The ability to resolve a star has direct impact on the scientific information



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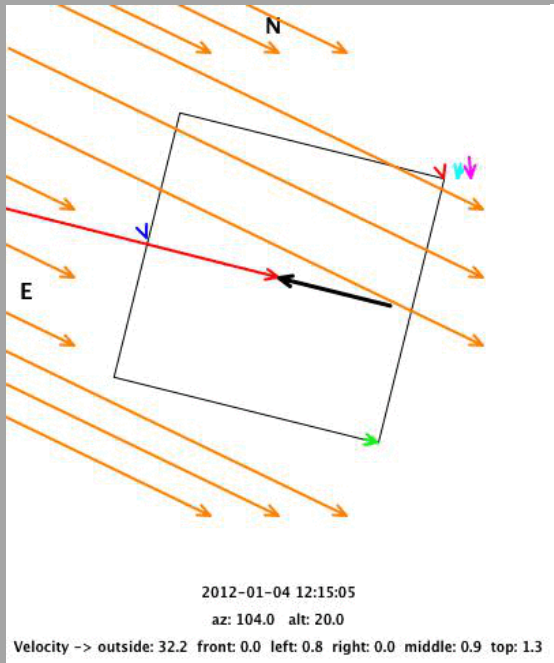
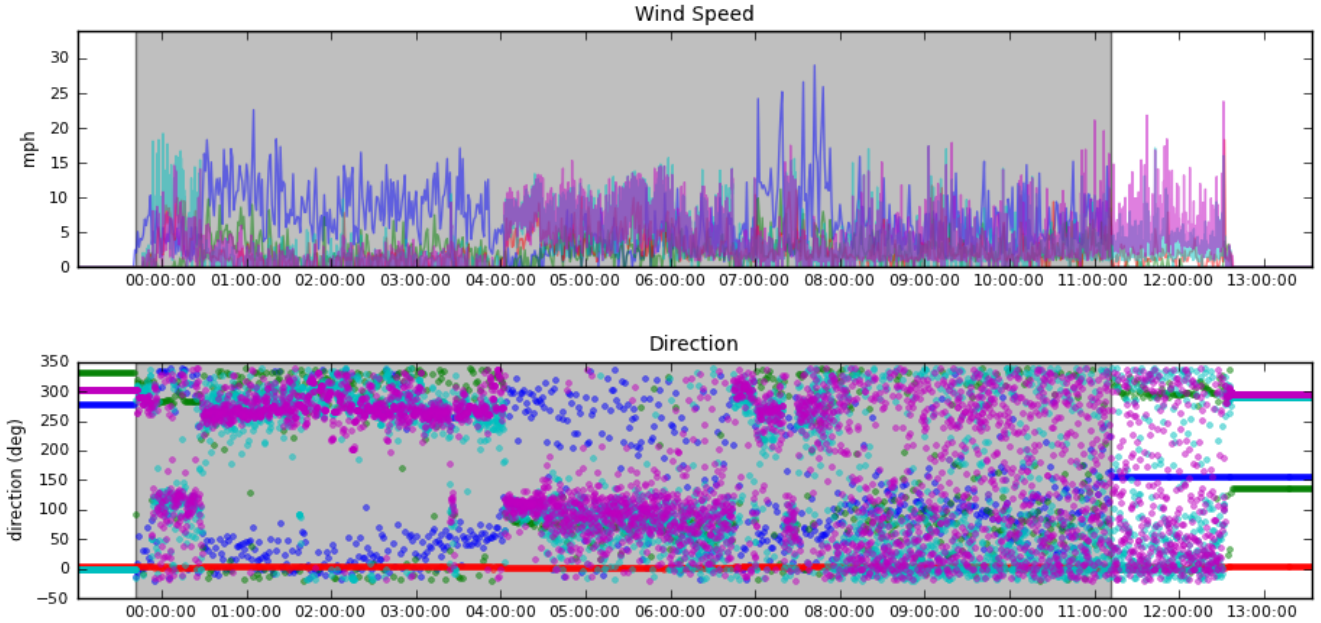
**Key: Good Record Keeping**



# Data

Zone Parsed Data:

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???? Correlate Multiple Zones ????

This project will be to correlate the data based on zonal overlap to create a complete data set.


Determine if there are systematic correlations with nightly seeing

# Research Goals

- Long Term
  - Characterize efficiency of heat rejection of 3.5m dome
  - Implement changes to increase this efficiency
    - More louvres?
    - Active louvre control?
- Goals this Quarter
  - Correlate anemometer data into single data set
- Methodology
  - Look for patterns between stations with same known times
  - Look for similar external and verify
  - Add next station and verify
  - Look for inconsistencies in data, optimize algorithm
  - Re-run on data
  - **Verify**

# Light Curve Analysis and Photometric Redshifts of Supernova Type Ia

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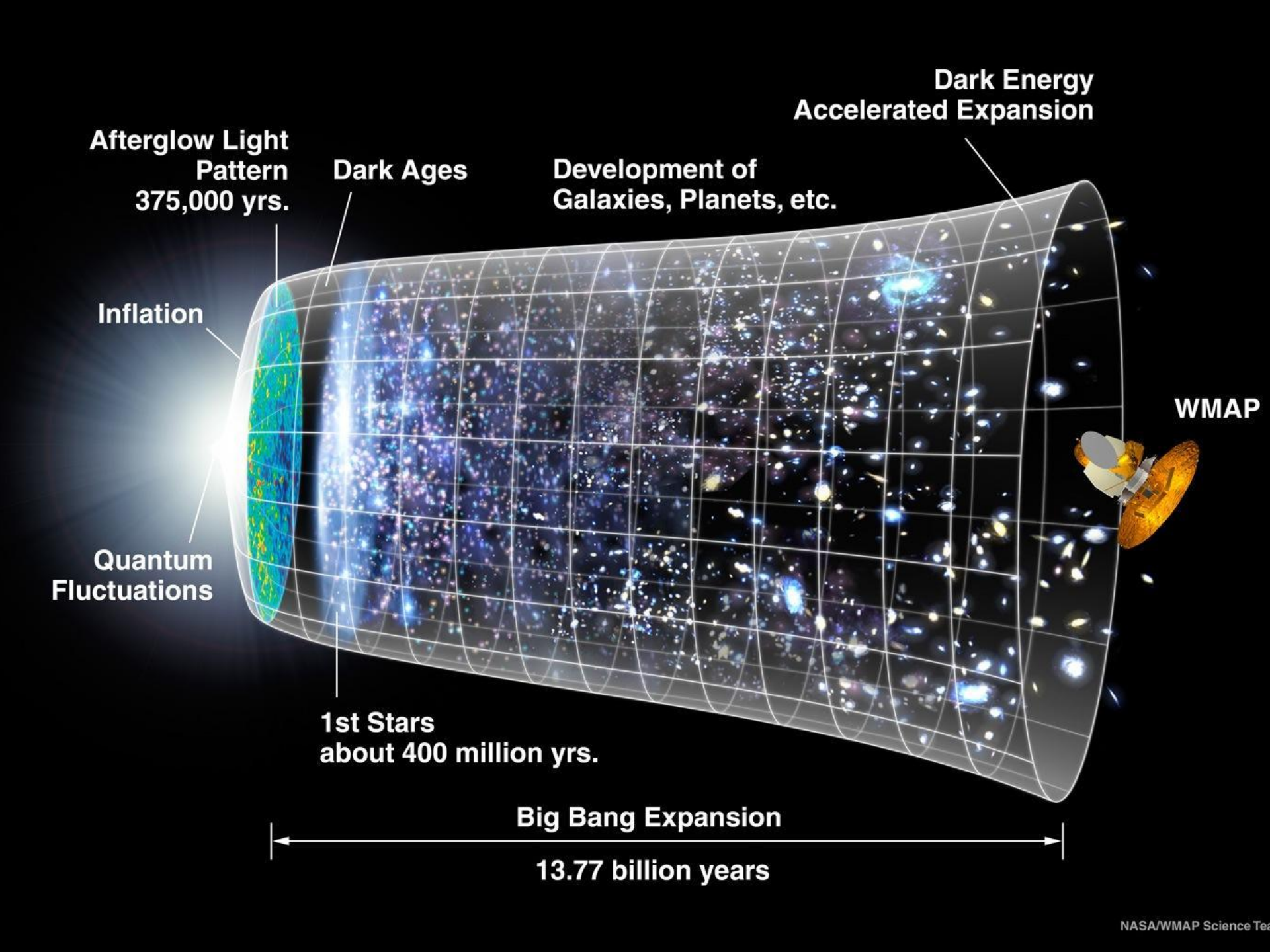
Why are we interested?

(besides the fact that exploding stars are cool)

we use them as
‘standard candles’
to measure cosmic expansion


Dark Energy
Accelerated Expansion
Afterglow Light
Pattern
375,000 yrs.
Dark Ages
Development of
Galaxies, Planets, etc.
Inflation
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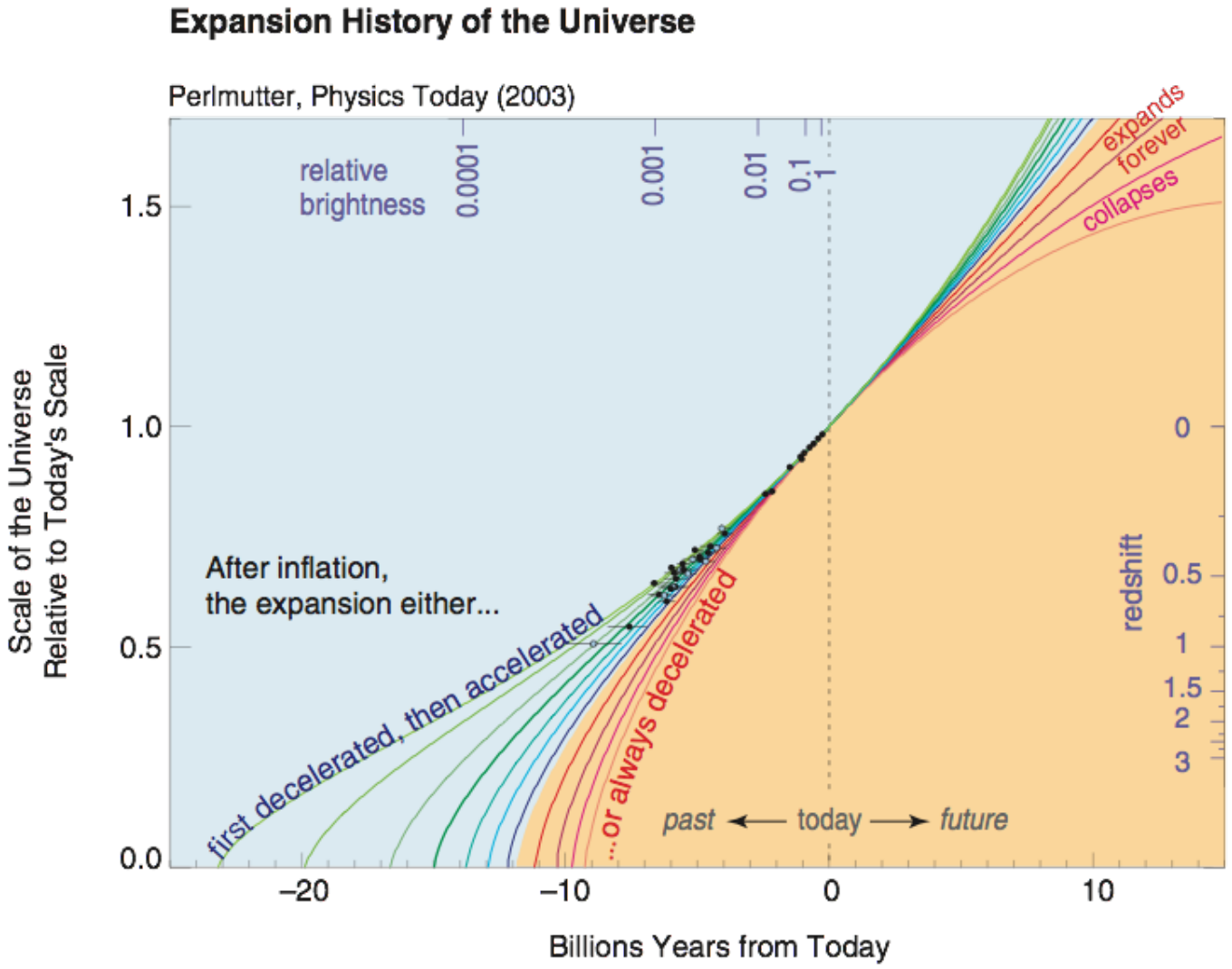
1st Stars
about 400 million yrs.
Big Bang Expansion
13.77 billion years
NASA/WMAP Science Tea


Expansion History of the Universe
Perlmutter, Physics Today (2003)
relative brightness
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expands forever
collapses
After inflation, the expansion either...
first decelerated, then accelerated
...or always decelerated
past
today
future
redshift
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3
Scale of the Universe Relative to Today's Scale
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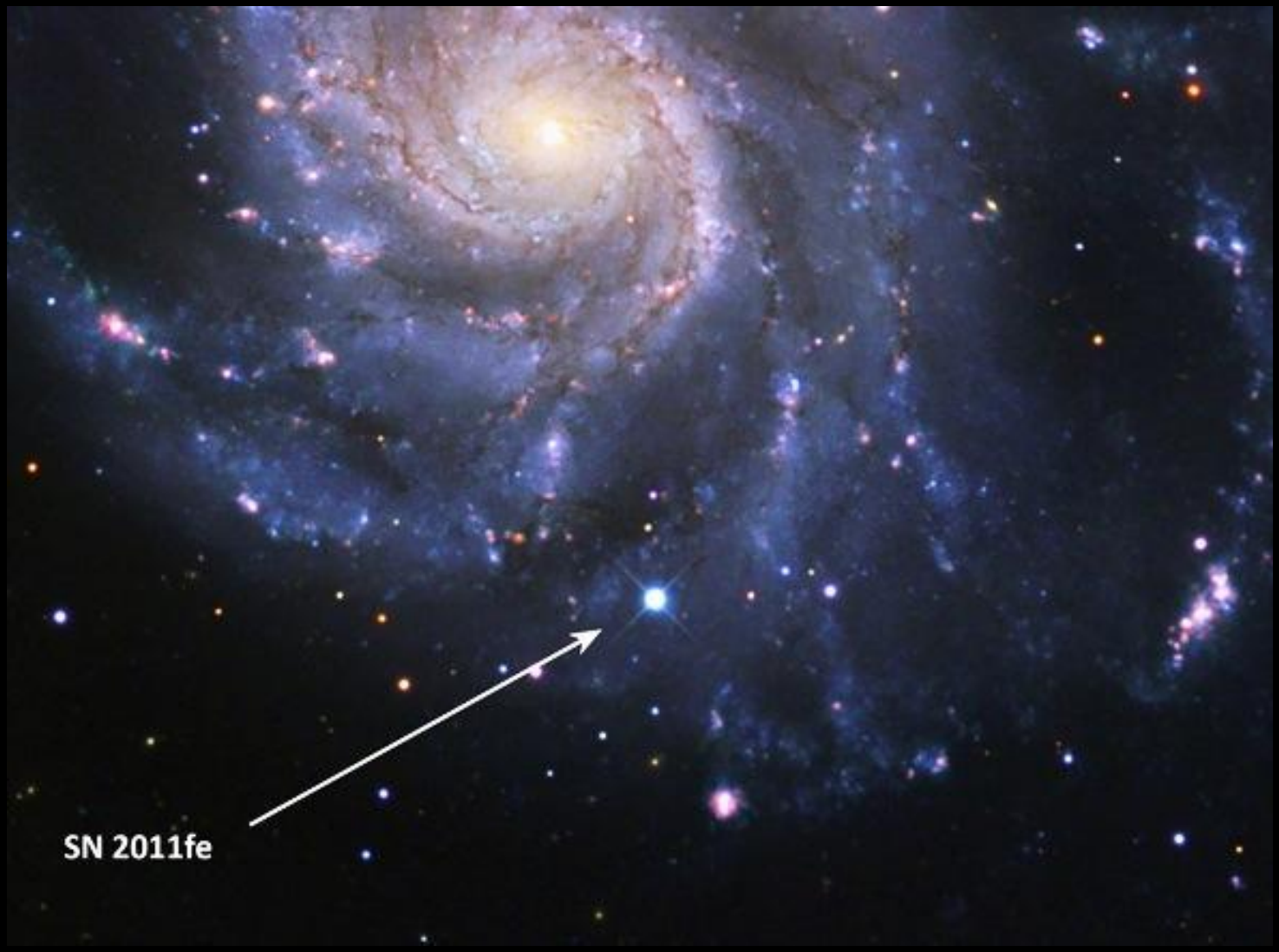
Billions Years from Today

What does Type 1a supernovae data look like?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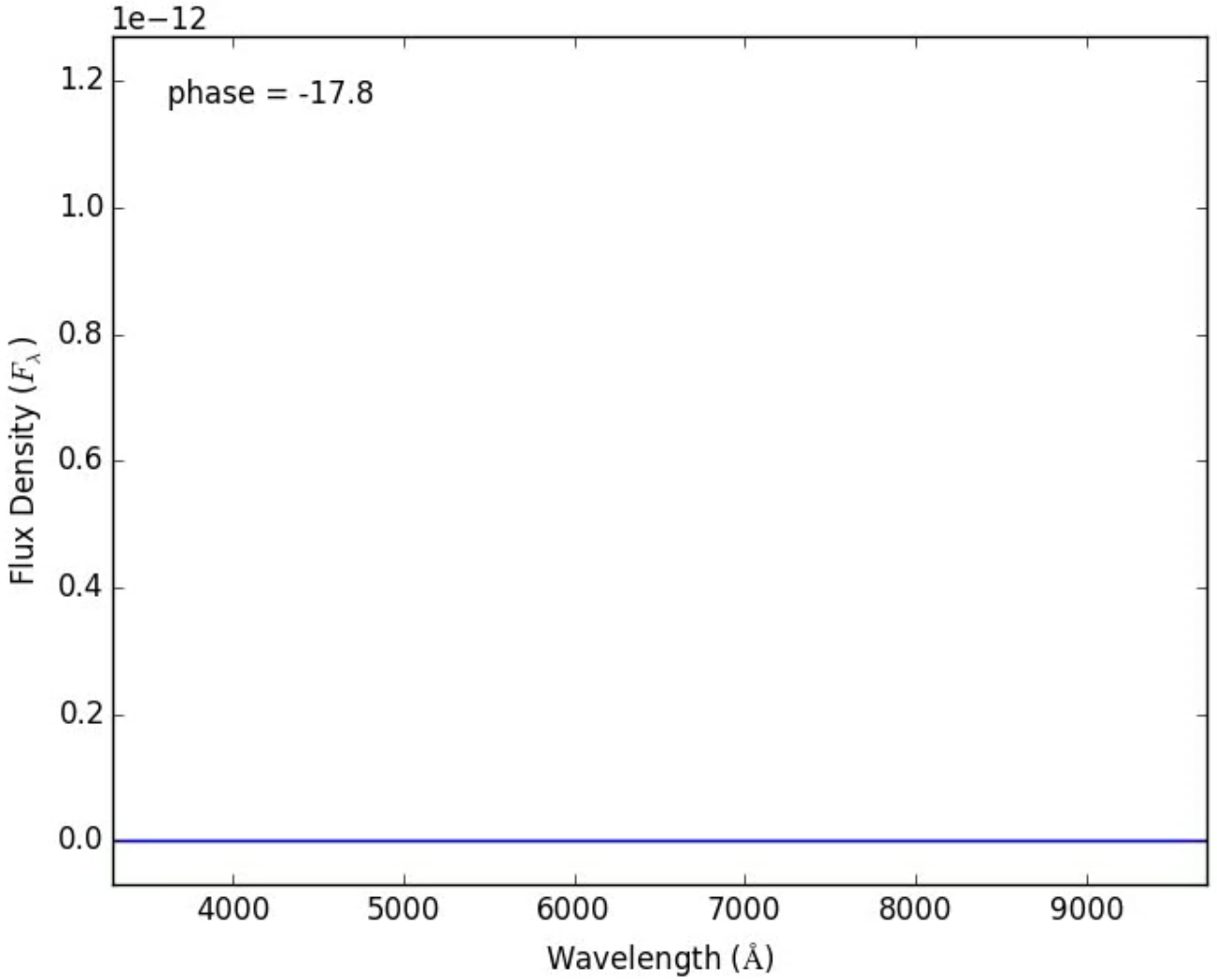
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0.0
Flux Density ($F_\lambda$)
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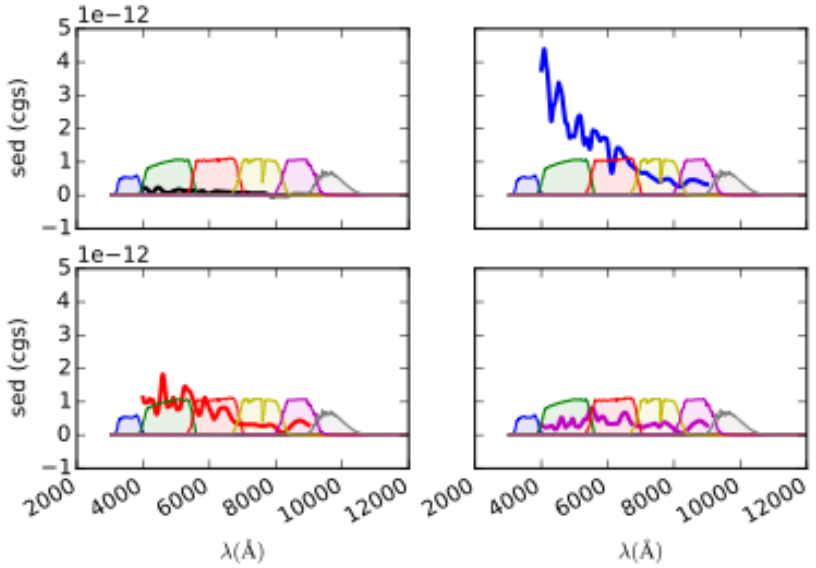
7000
8000
9000
Wavelength (Å)

But, spectra is slow and not always possible.

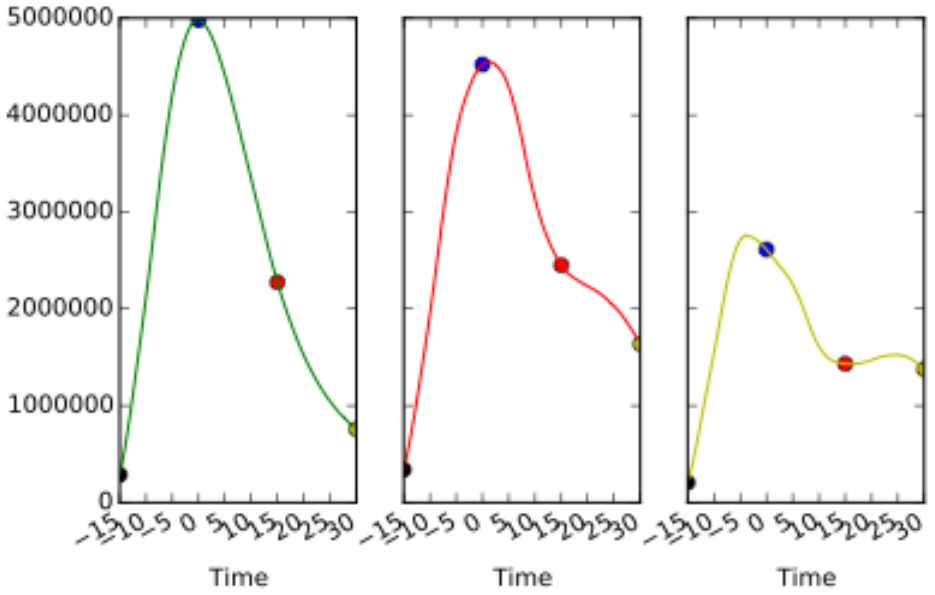
Light Curves

Instead pick a range of wavelengths and average all the photons together to get a light curve




Light curves

- luminosity over time
- light curve characteristics are related to the intrinsic brightness



What we are working on

# (and maybe you…?)

# Characterization of Light Curves

- develop and test better methods of analyzing light curves for these photometric surveys.

- use SNCosmo software package to,

    - ➡ simulate supernova light curves

    - ➡ run simulated data through different statistical fitting algorithms and compare results

IP[y]: Notebook host_extinction_demo Last Checkpoint: Oct 07 10:12 (autosaved)

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print "number of mcmc samples:", mcmc_nsamples

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nest_samples = nest_res.samples

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number of mcmc samples: 10000

number of nest dimensions: 5
number of nest samples: 4248
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                                      model_noext.get(mcmc[4])],
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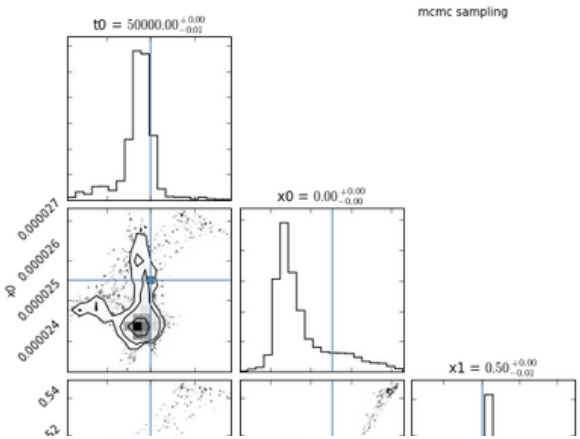

- Our current research goal is to better understand what we can learn from just photometric data.

    - for this project, particularly to see how effectively we can determine redshift without using spectra

    - learning and using statistical modeling (check out my tutorial in the github repository for this project )

    - opportunity for continuing this, or similar lines of research with LSST, a big collaboration with a large UW presence, doing a lot of different astronomy

This project will excite you if :

- ✓ You want to learn more Python
- ✓ You want to learn about statistical modeling
- ✓ You are interested in cosmology and dark energy
- ✓ You are curious about LSST


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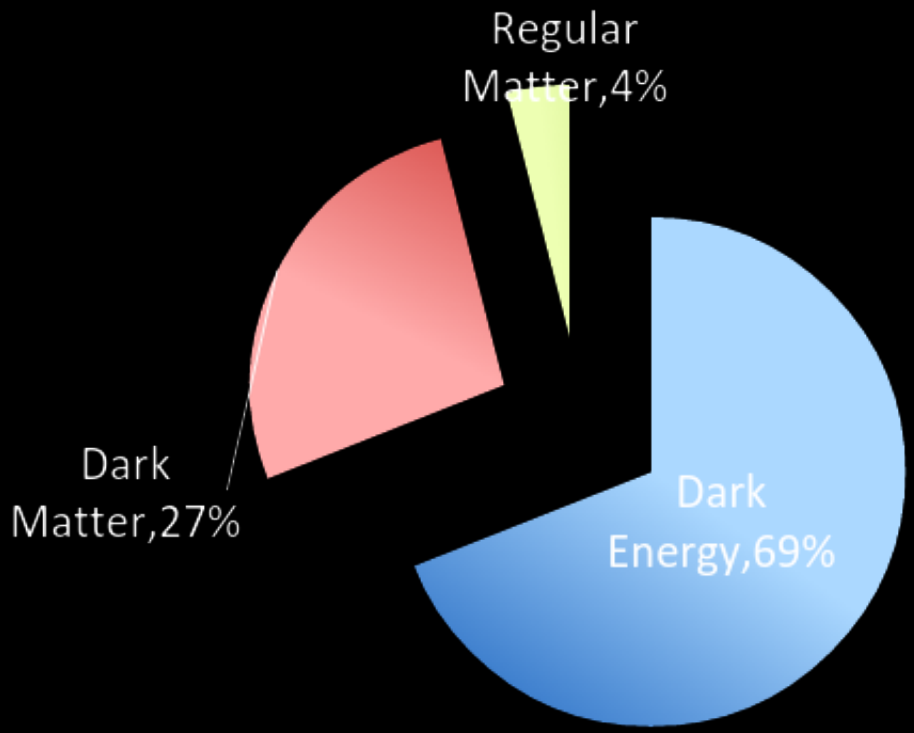
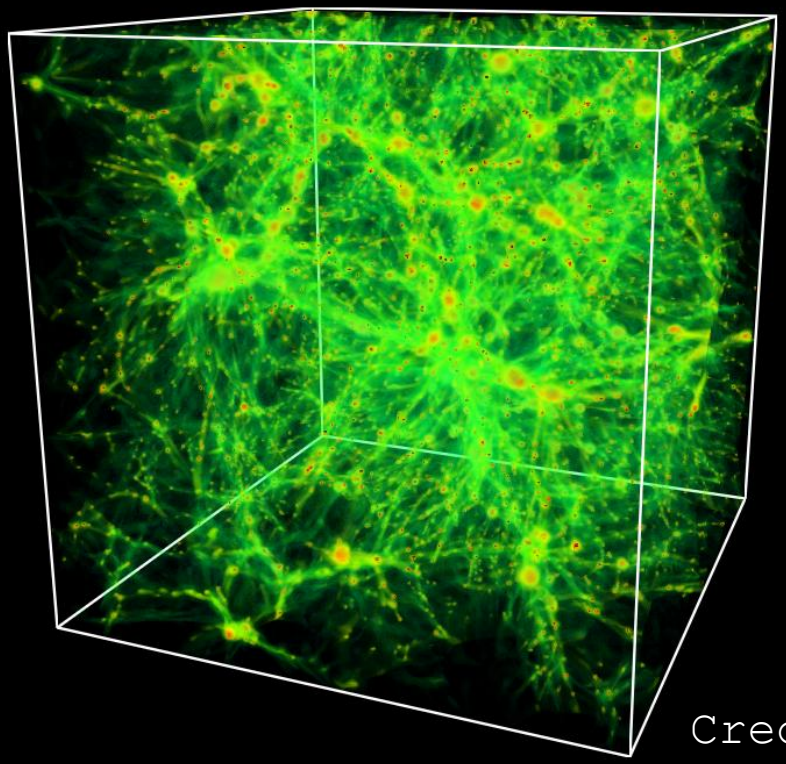
# Composition of the Universe

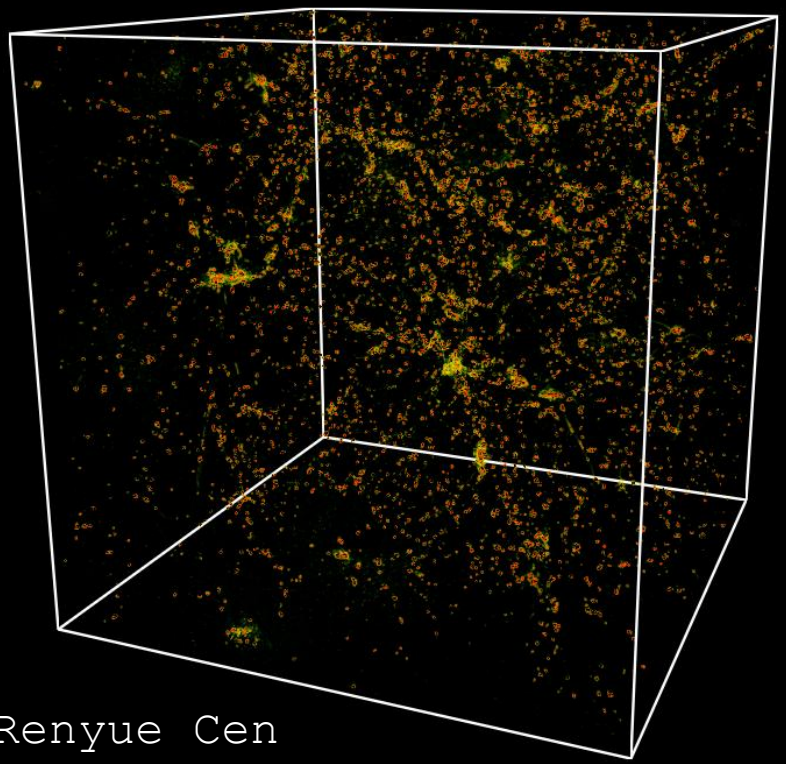


# The intergalactic medium

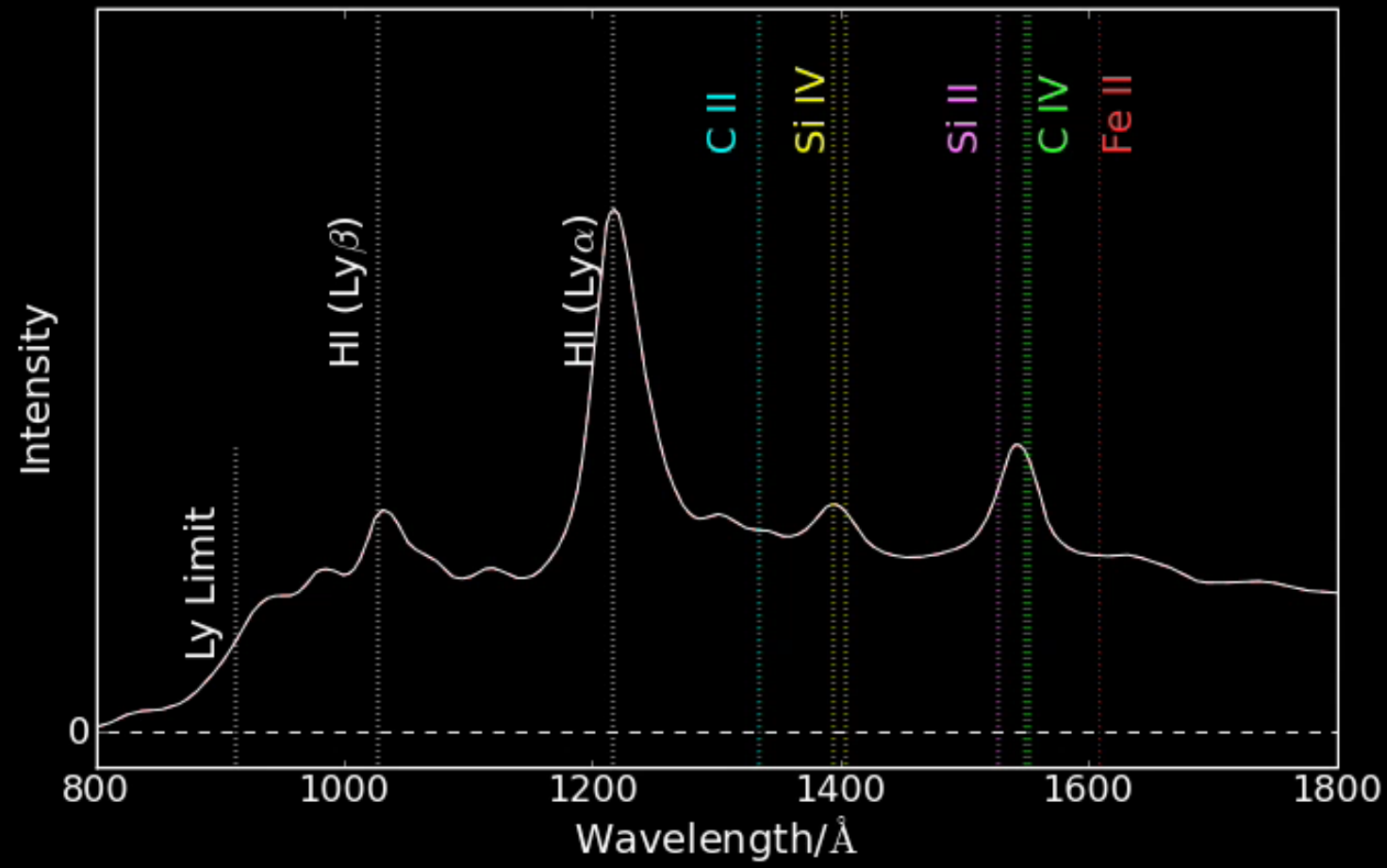
Intergalactic Gas
+ galaxies



Galaxies only

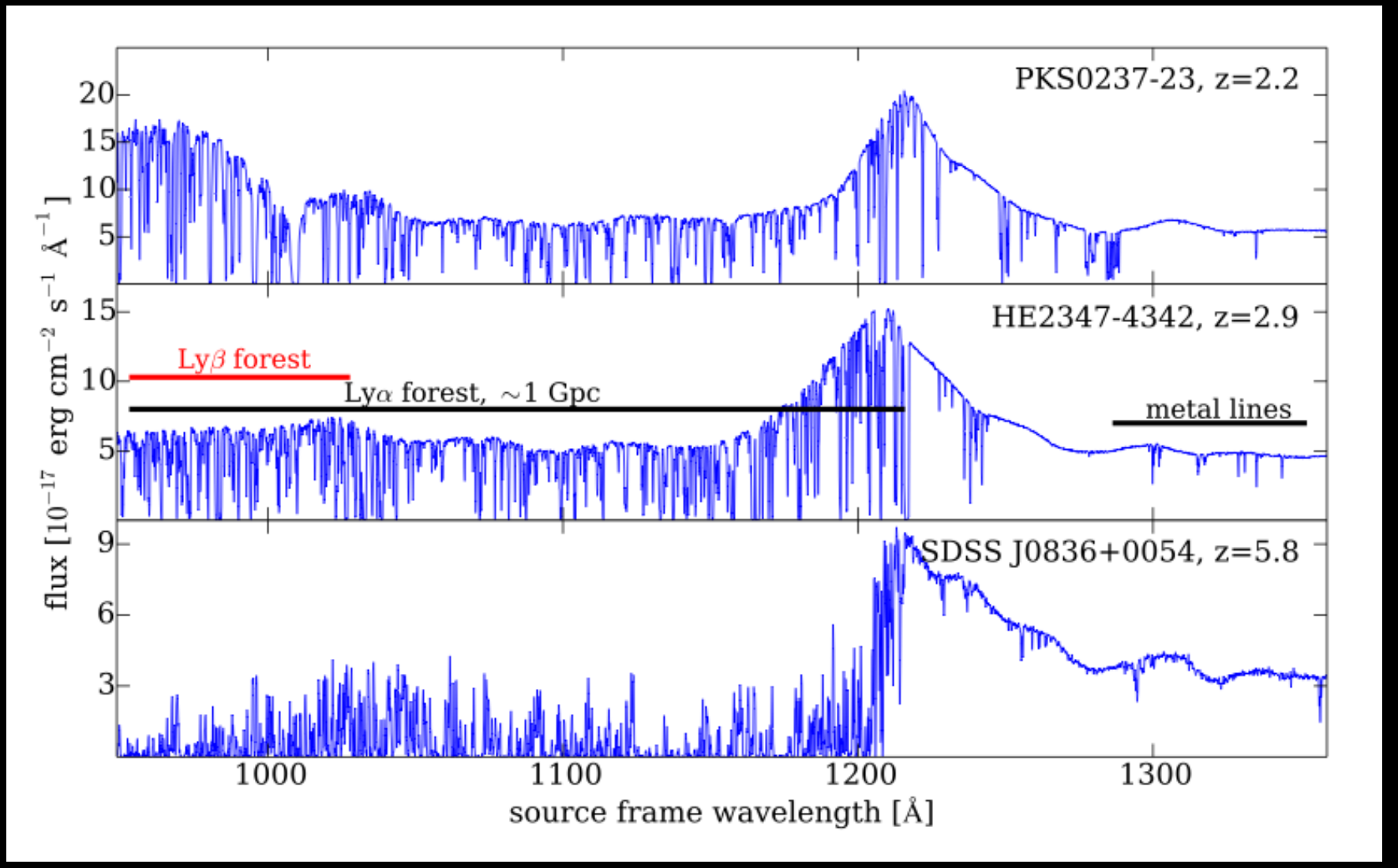


Credit: Renyue Cen

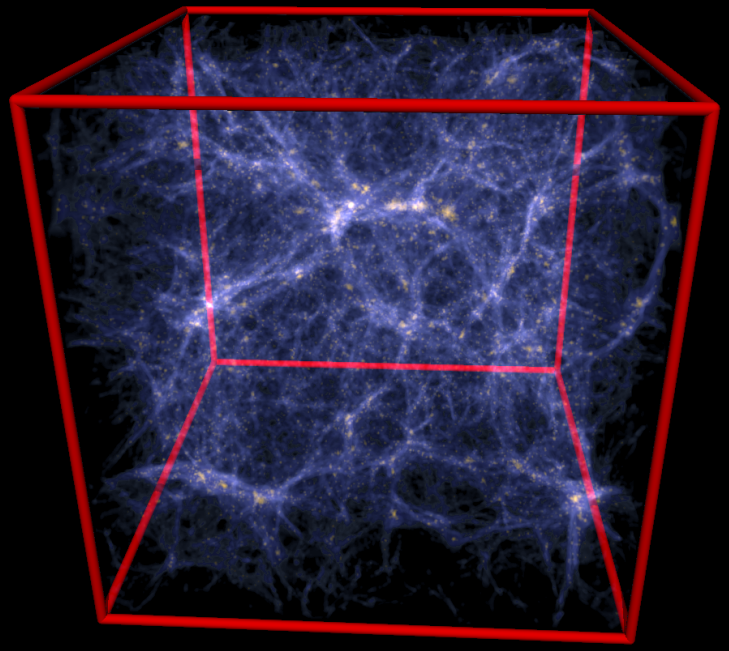



Credit: Andrew Pontzen

# Lyman-alpha forest



# Theory and Observation



# Thank you! Questions?