

PTF and Kepler Projects: An Overview

PTF 與克卜勒計畫

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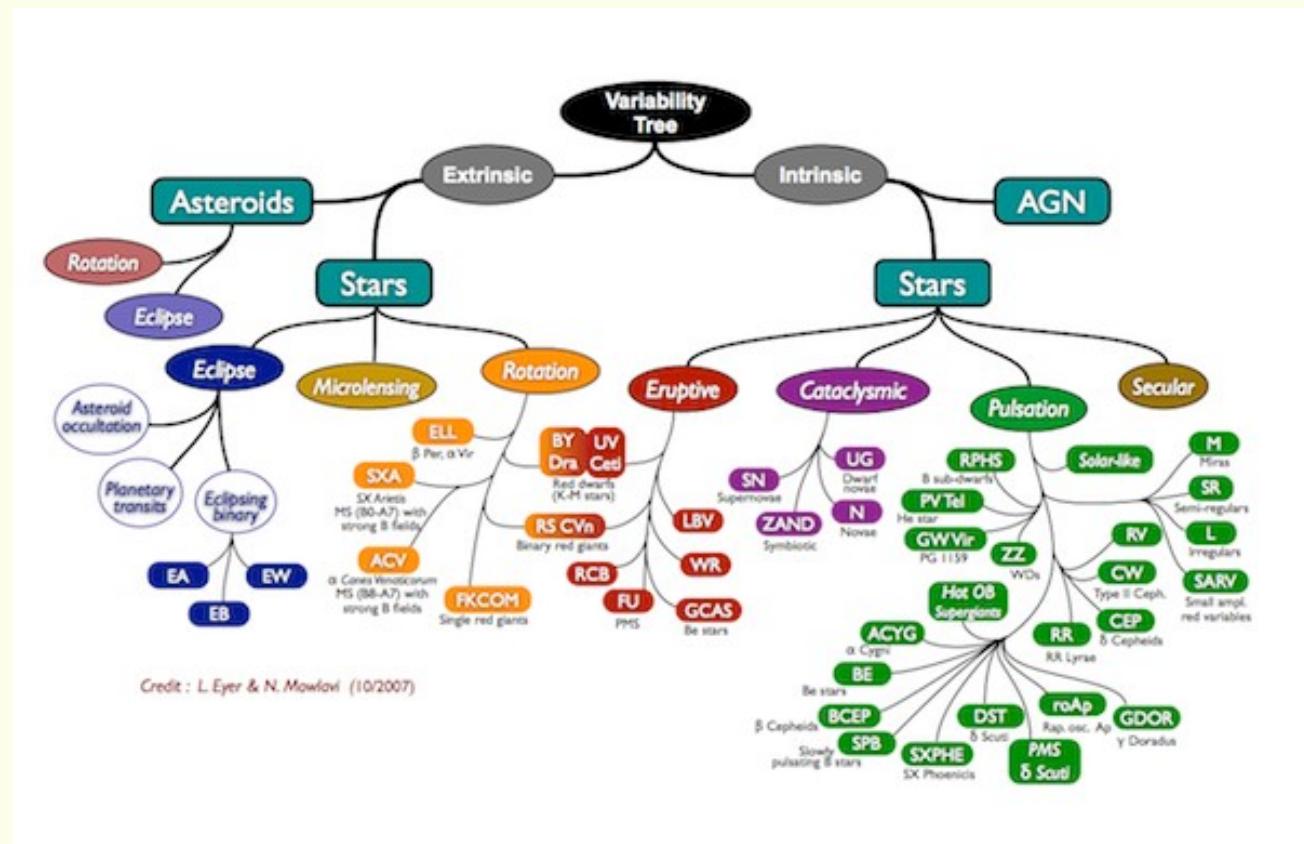
Before We Start ...

- Photometry = measurement of brightness (or flux)
- Astrometry = measurement of positions
- Variable stars = changes brightness with various time-scale
- Transients = objects suddenly appear, or become “bright”
- Magnitude = logarithmic scale of flux
 - $\Delta m=2.5 \rightarrow$ can see 10x's fainter; $\Delta m=5 \rightarrow$ 100x's fainter
- Angular units
 - 1 arcminute = (1/60) degree.
 - 1 arcsecond = (1/3600) degree. Typical limit due to “seeing”.

Science with Time-Domain Astronomy

- Asteroids motions and rotations
- Many types of variable stars and their activities
- Explosive events such as novae and supernovae
- Micro-lensing
- Extra-Solar planets transit

Magnitude/flux/position varies with time



Time Domain Astronomy

The data-centric problem statement:

- Databases: Given ~1 petabyte of image data, extract sources and create a database of ~1 billion objects.
- Machine learning: In near real time, analyze ~Gbytes/minute of image data to identify which of millions of “candidates per night” are true astronomical transients. Similarly, identify fast-moving near earth asteroids.
- Time-frequency algorithms: Using efficient queries on the database, determine which of the ~10’s of millions of variable sources are “interesting sources”

Requires highly automated data exploration
Reduce false positives to manageable level

Many existing optical time- domain surveys

(+ SDSS Stripe 82, ASAS,...)
(+ many more to come)

La Silla Schmidt



Palomar Schmidt



Uppsala Schmidt

Catalina Schmidt



PanStarrs



OGLE IV



MOA telescope



CTIO



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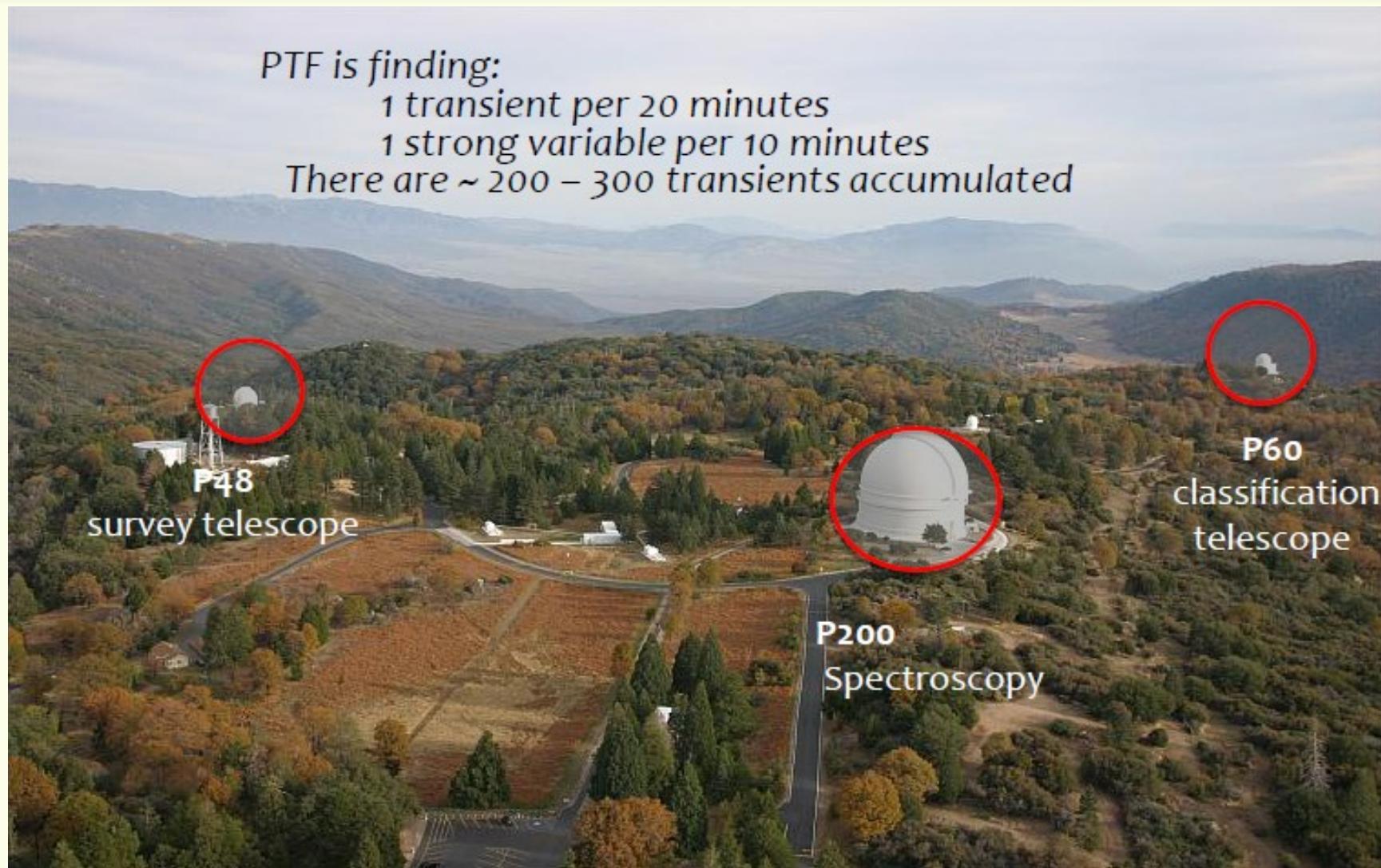
(From: B. Schmidt talk)

Focus on PTF and Kepler here

The Palomar Transient Factory (PTF)

- Dedicated time-domain survey for transients discoveries
- Main survey telescope: 48-inch Schmidt Telescope or **P48**
 - Wide-field mosaic CCD
 - Single band observation, mainly in R-band (also in g or H-alpha bands)
 - Fixed exposure time of 60 second (occasional with shorter exposure time)
 - Variable cadence from few minutes to few days
- Follow up with P60 and P200, and other telescopes
- P48, P60 and P200 → located at the Palomar Observatory

PTF @ The Palomar Observatory

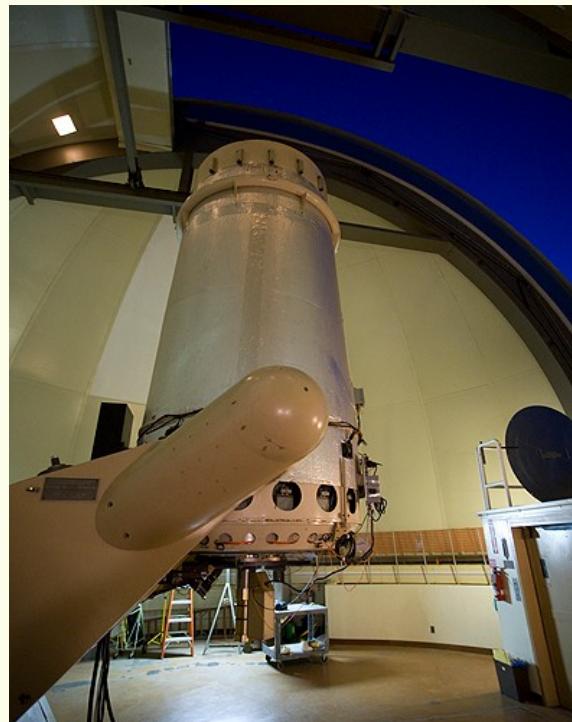


PTF, iPTF and ZTF

- PTF = Palomar Transient Factory (2009 – 2012)
- iPTF = Intermediate PTF (2013 – 2016)
- ZTF = Zwicky Transient Facility (2017 - ~2020)



P48: Survey Telescope



P60: Follow-Up Telescope

In Honor of Fritz Zwicky

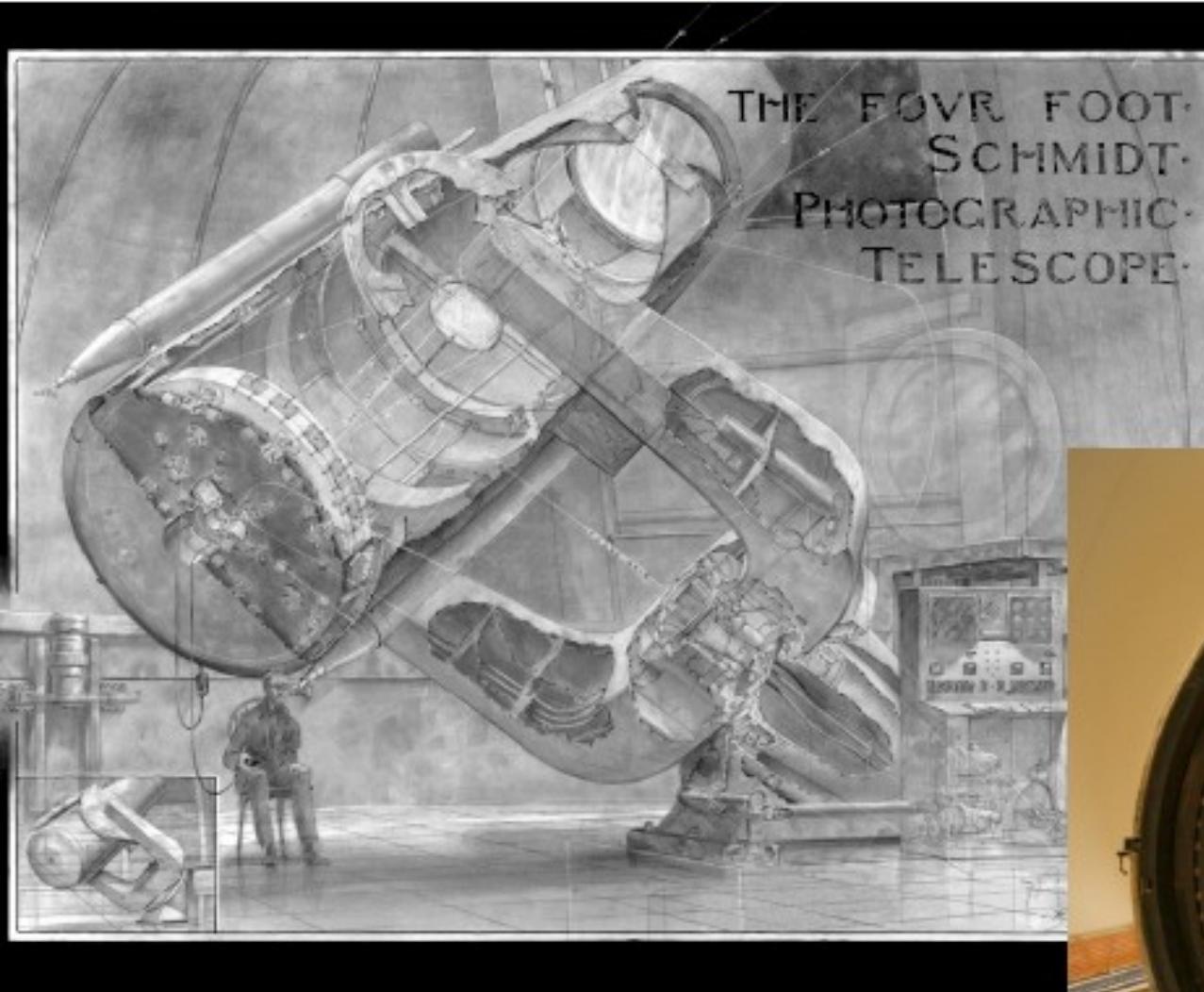


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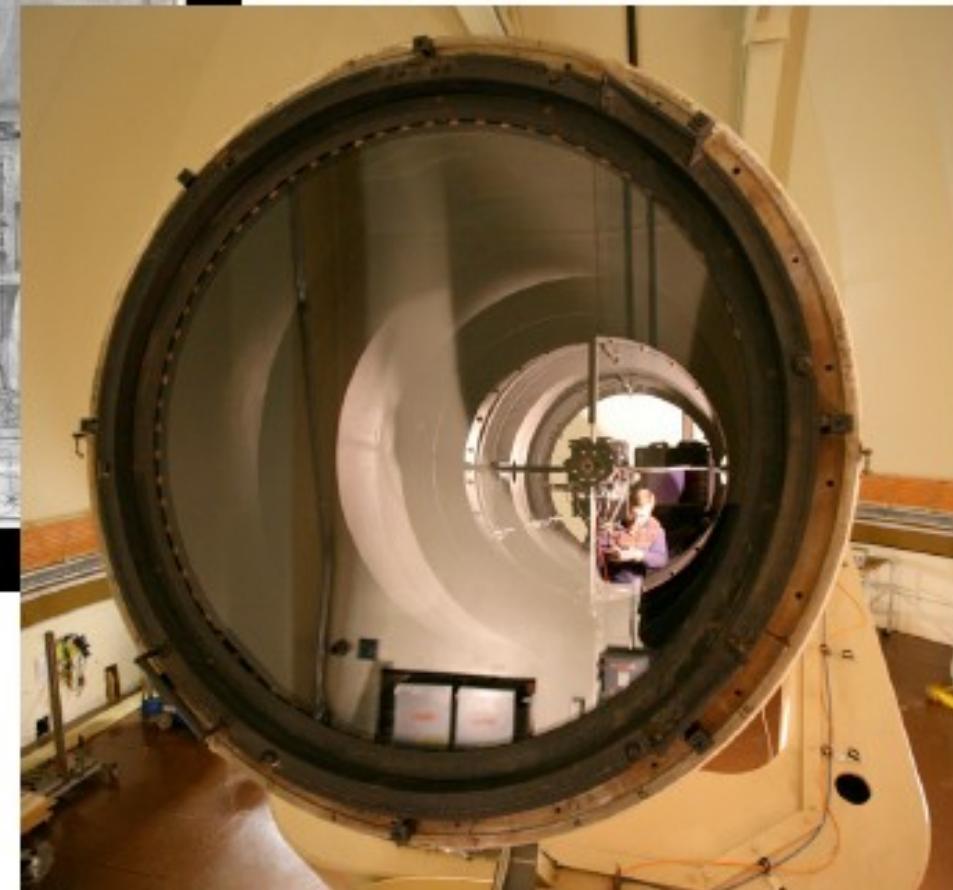
- Dark Matter & gravitational lens
- Separate out supernova and nova (with W. Baade)
- Systematic search of SN with wide-field telescopes

The P48 is a larger survey telescope with a distinguished history.

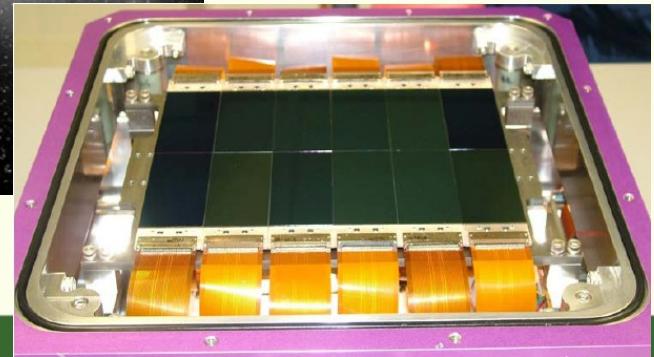
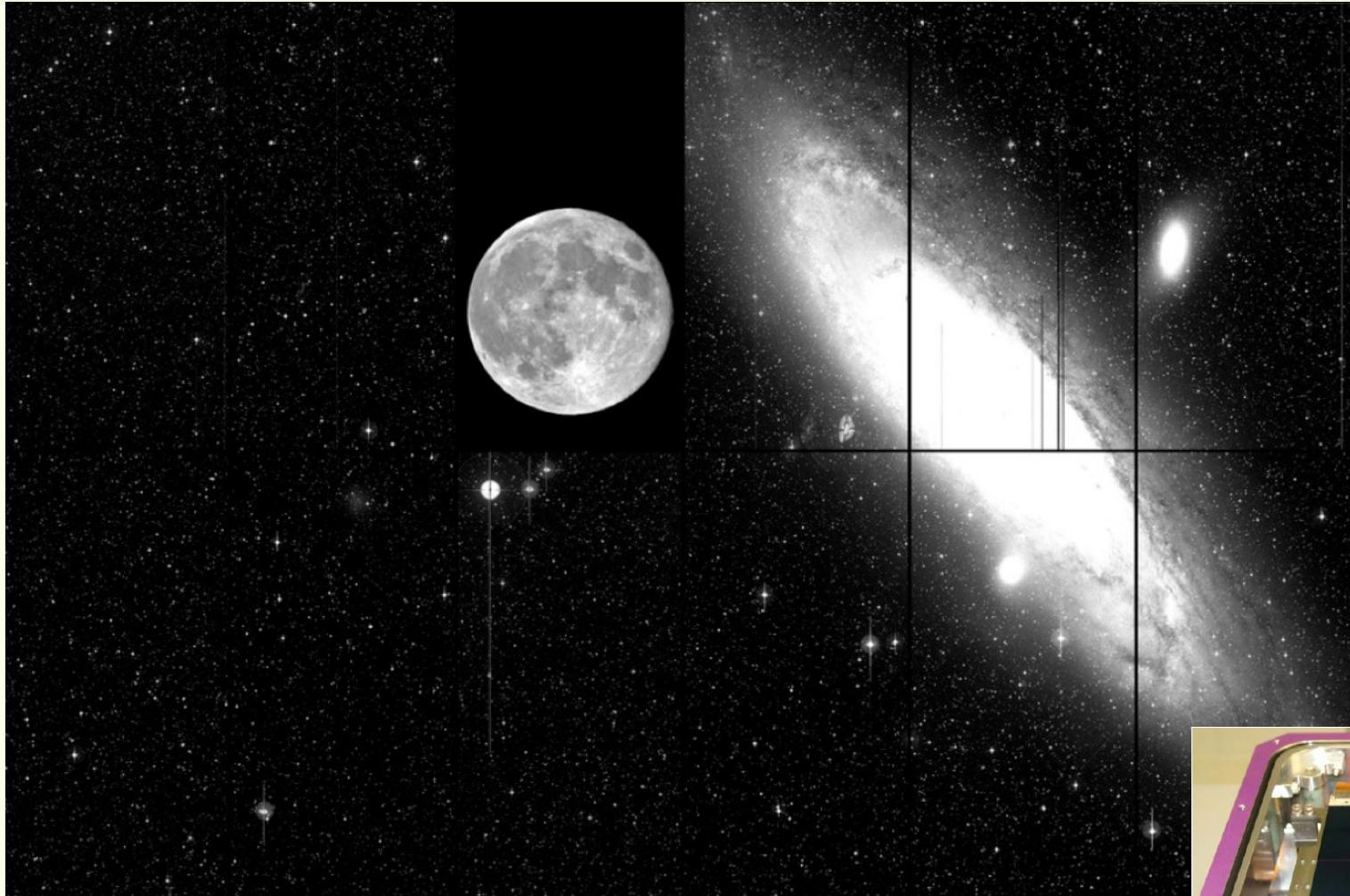


POSS I & II
NEAT, QUEST, PTF

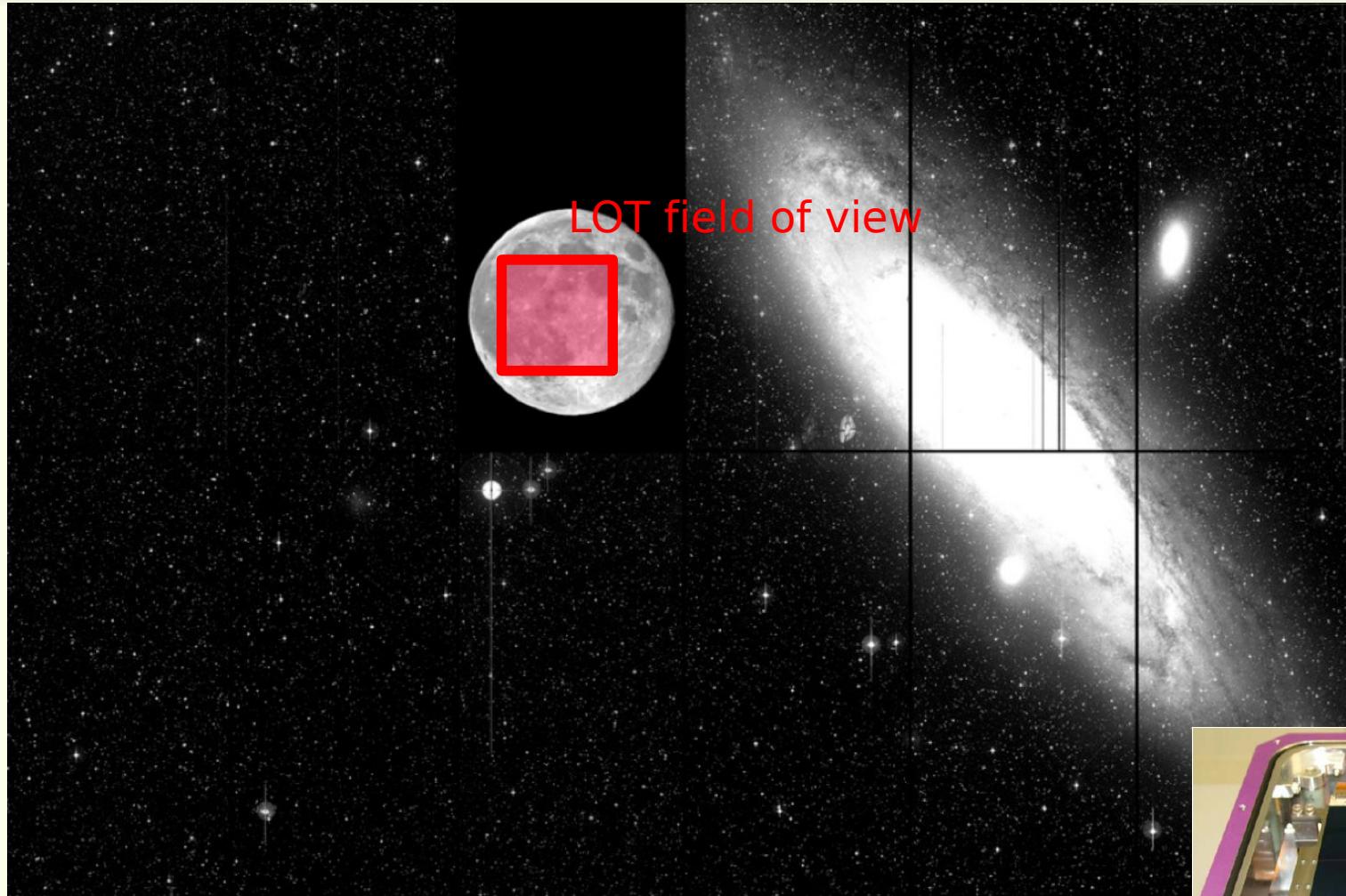
large sky surveys
supernovae
asteroids and KBOs



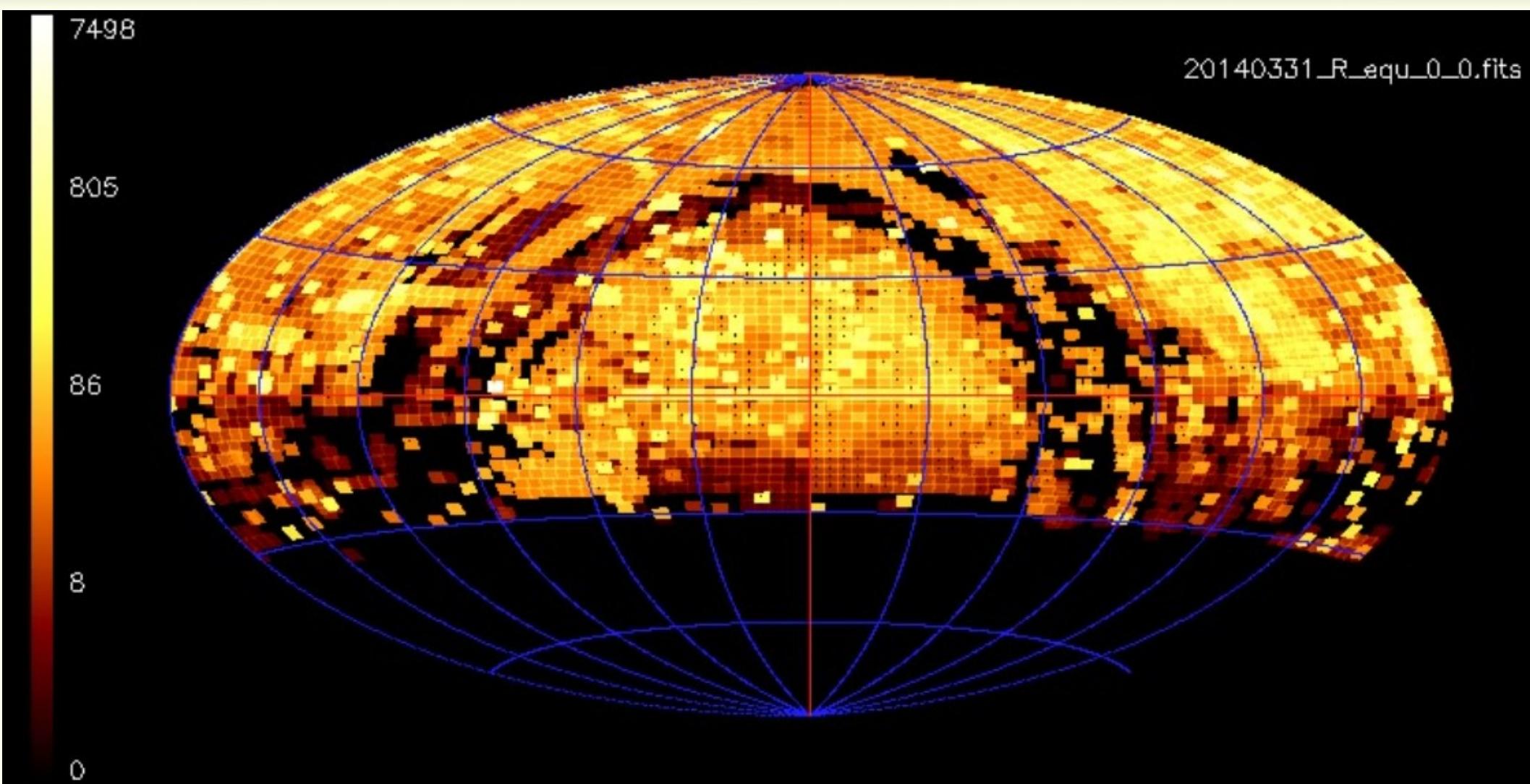
Wide-Field Mosaic CCD at P48



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Accumulated Sky Coverage in R-Band



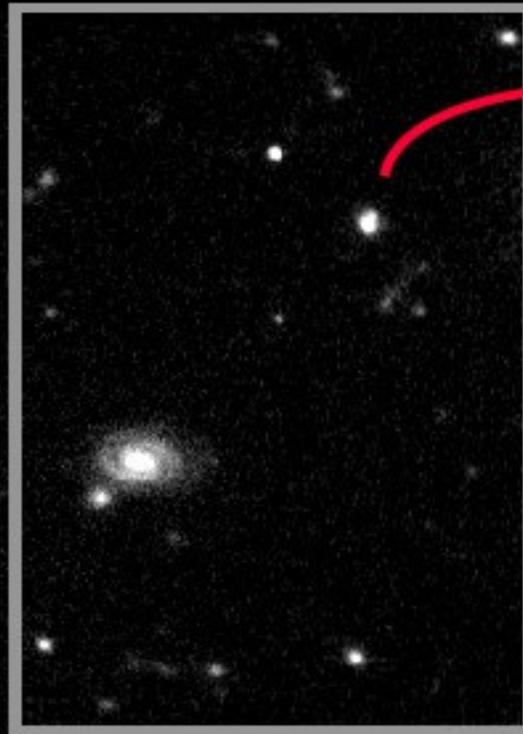
Finding Transients with Image Subtraction

Image Subtraction

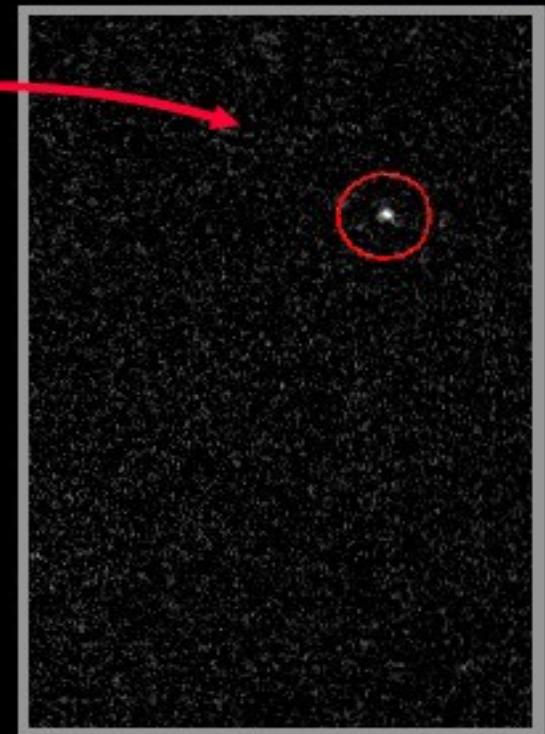
Epoch 1



Epoch 2 (3 weeks later)

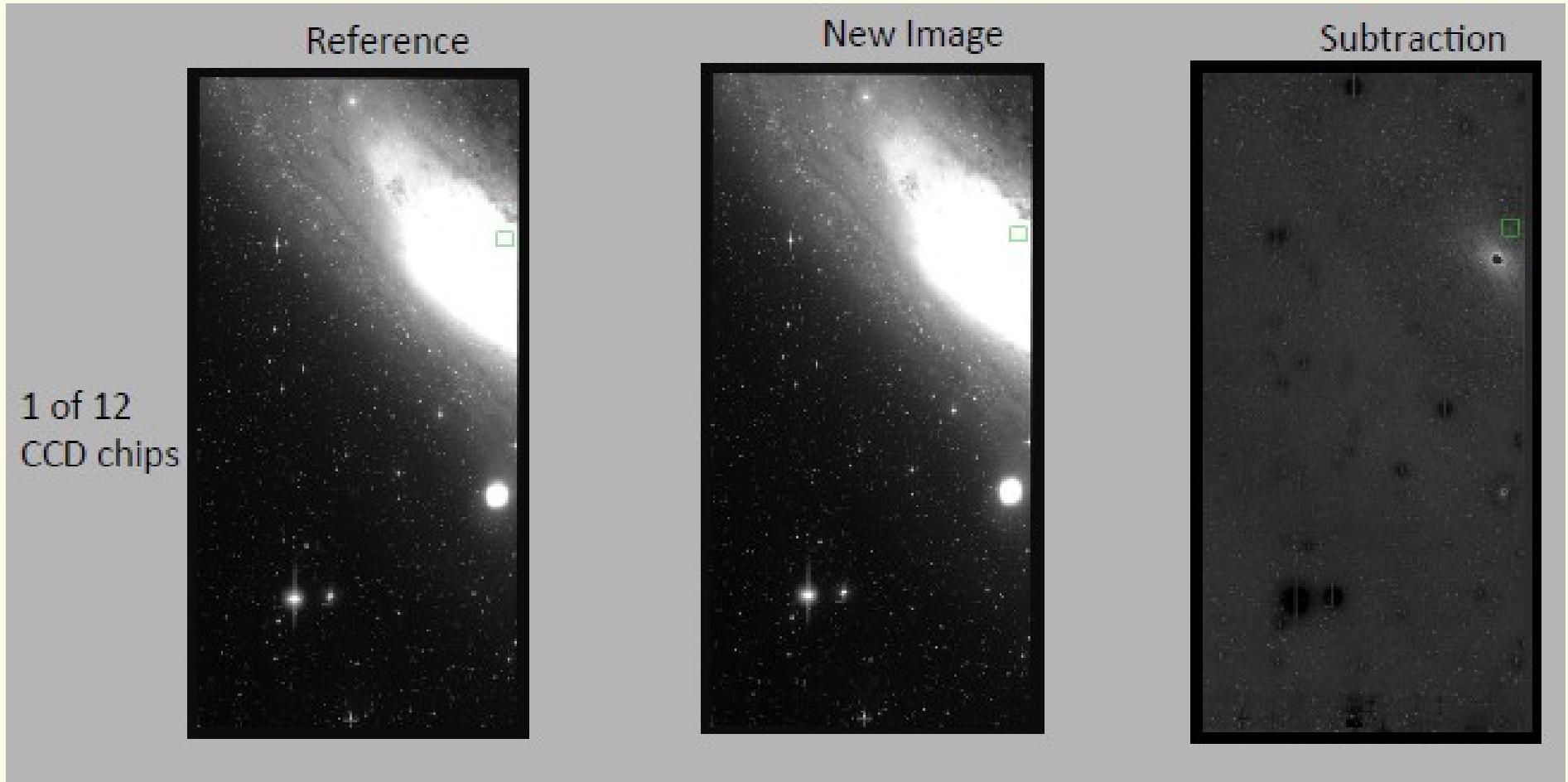


Epoch 2 - Epoch 1



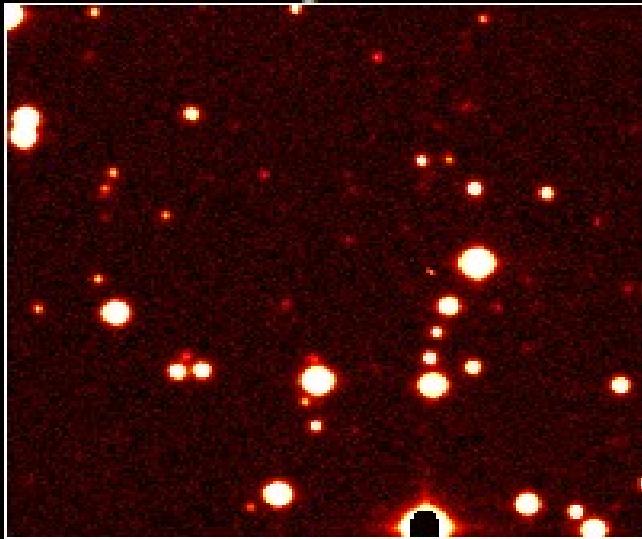
(High-z Supernova Team)

Finding Transients with Image Subtraction

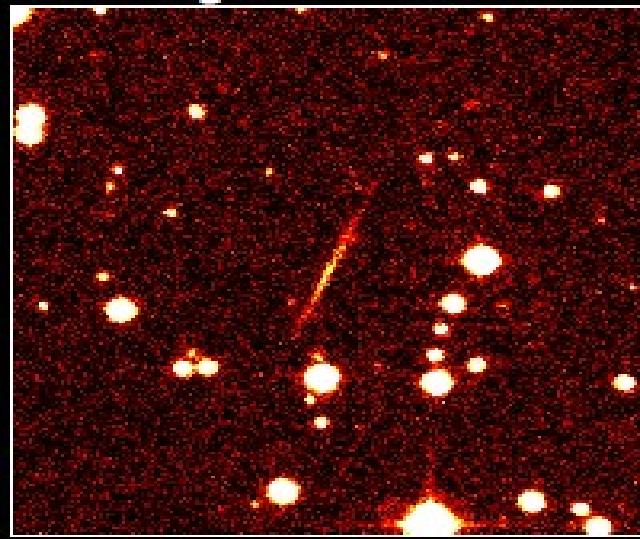


Finding Fast Moving Asteroids with Image Subtraction

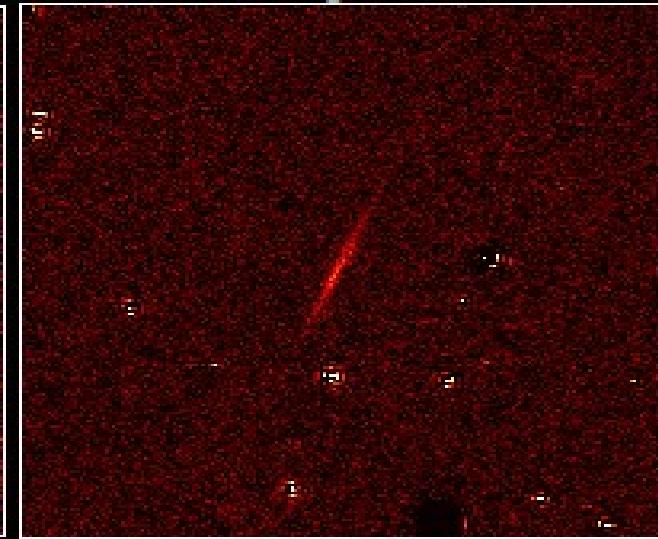
Reference Image



New Image

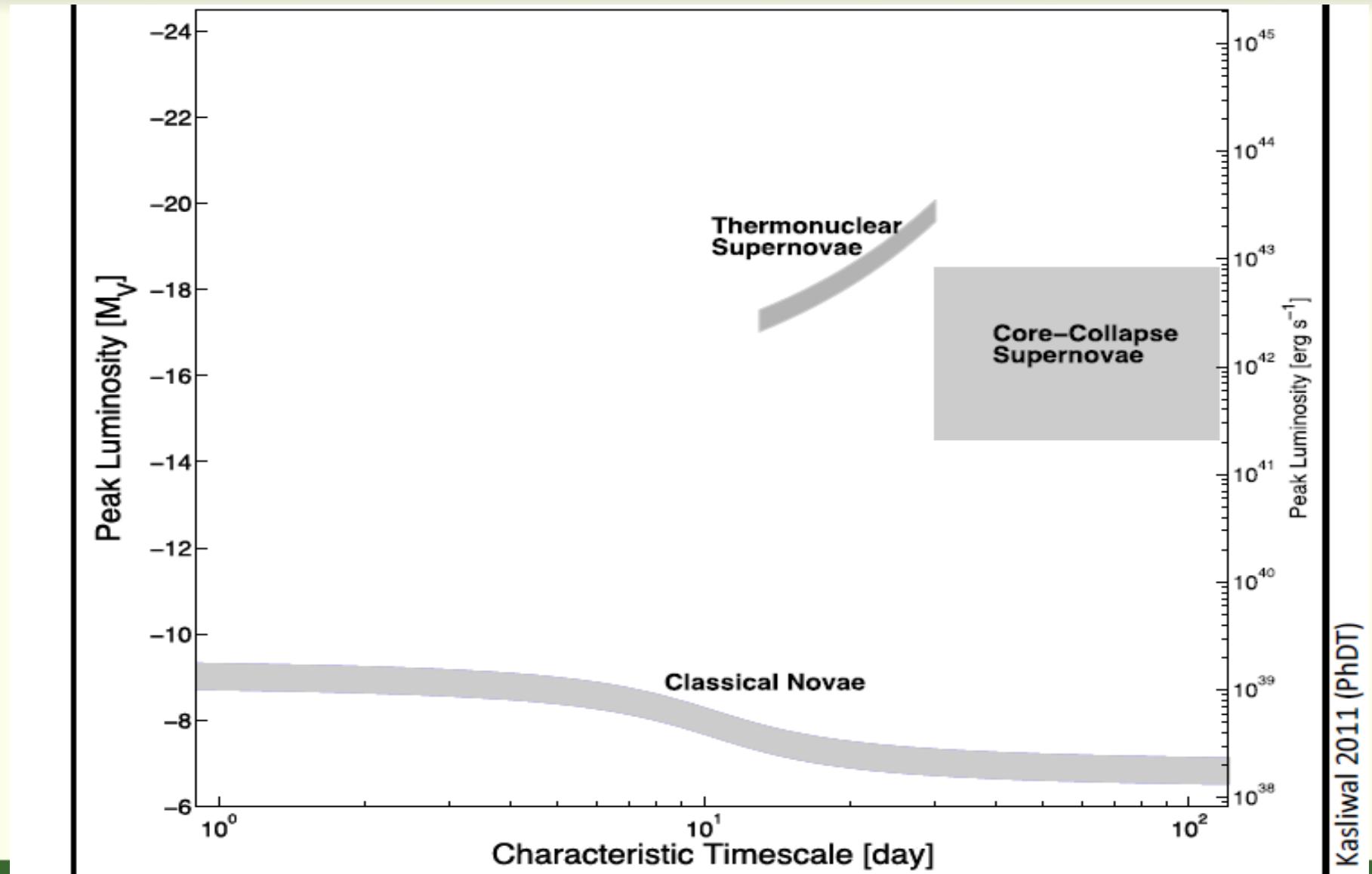


Difference Image

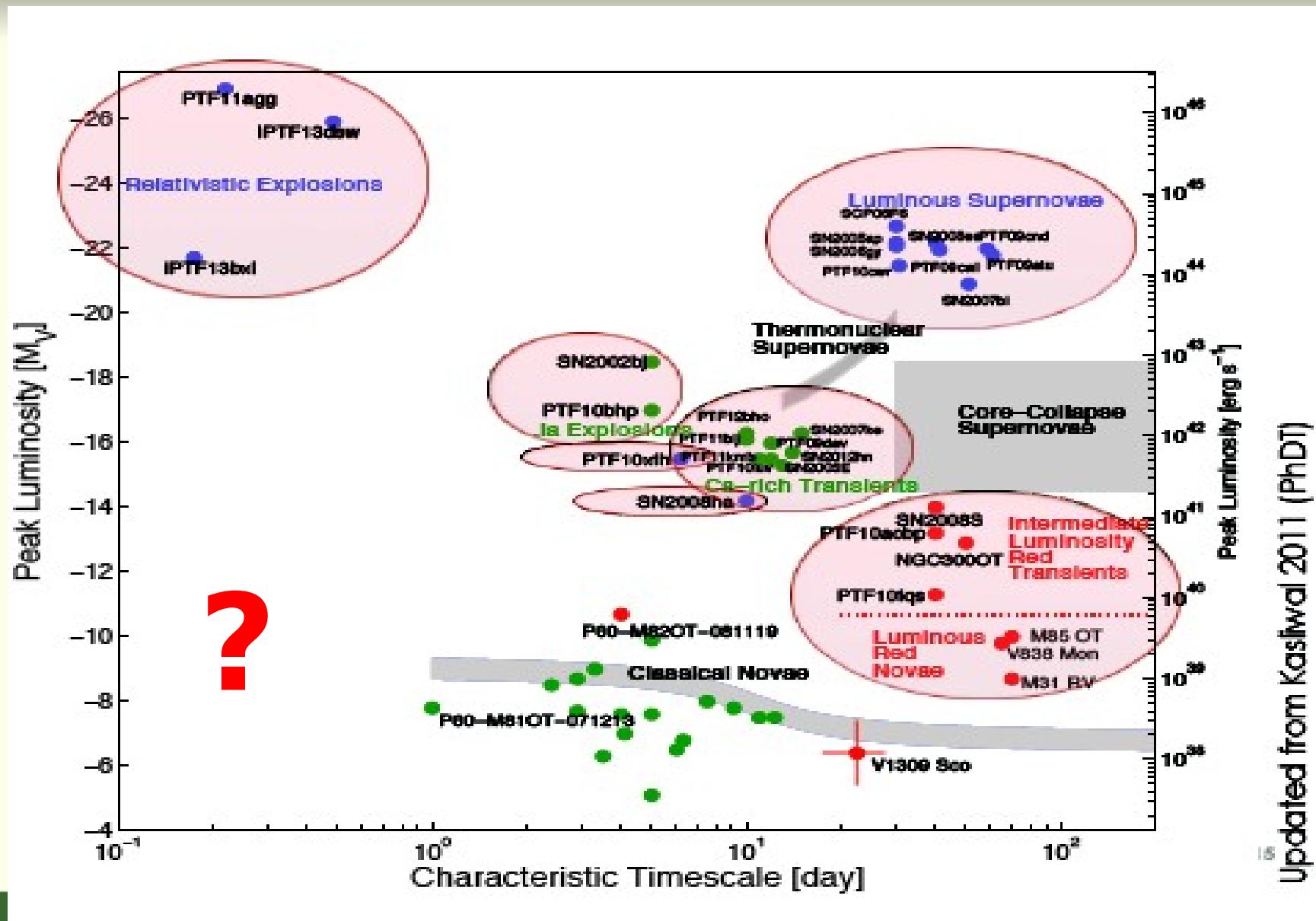


Fast moving asteroids leave “streaks” on images

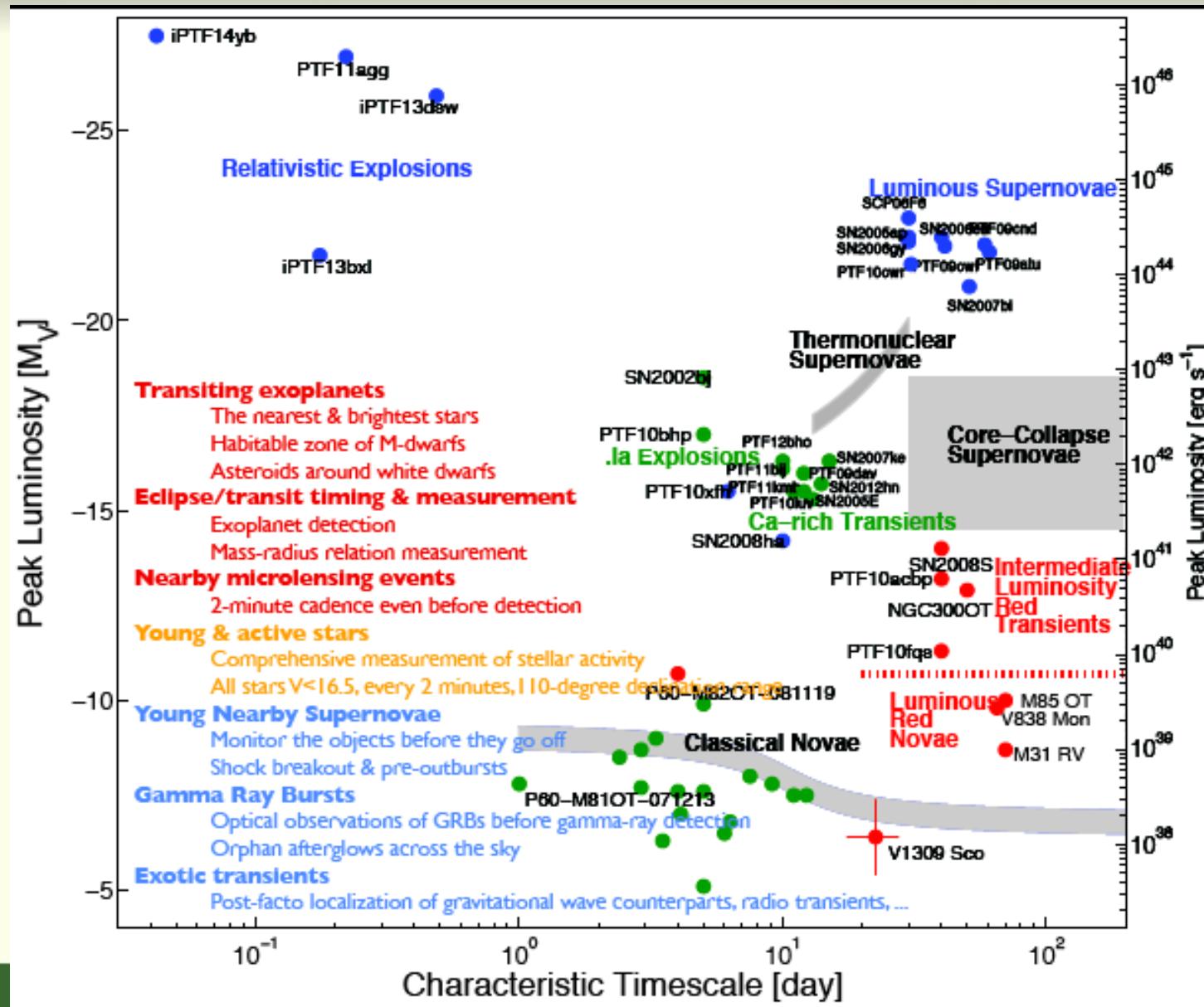
PTF Discoveries on Transients (Before)



PTF Discoveries on Transients (After)



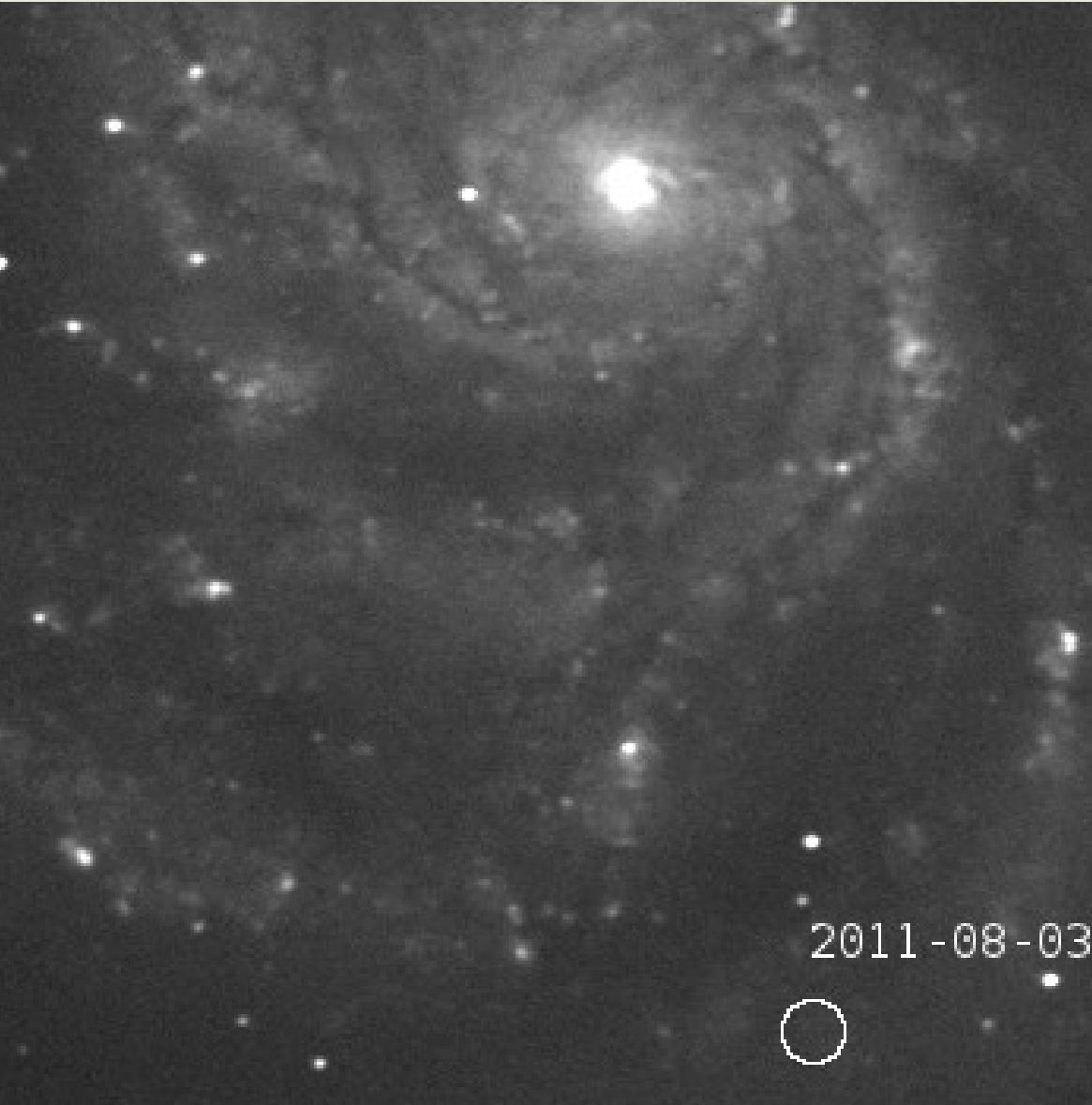
PTF Discoveries on Transients (Future)



Example: PTF Discovered SN in M101



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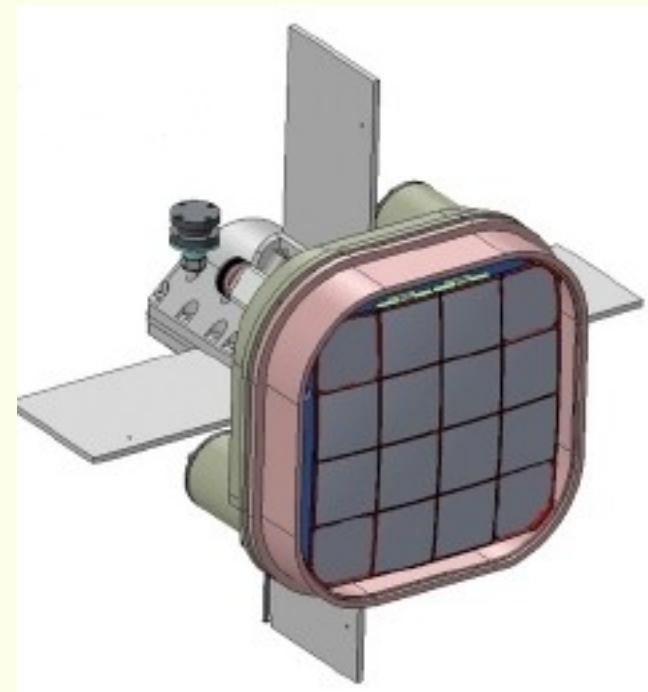


P48 Survey Telescope

PTF & iPTF



ZTF



- 11 2k x 4k mosaic CCD (CFH12K)
- 1.01 "/pix → ~7.26 deg² FOV
- Mould R (main), g' & H α filters
- 16 6k x 6k e2V CCD
- 1 "/pix → ~47 deg² FOV
- Mould R & g'

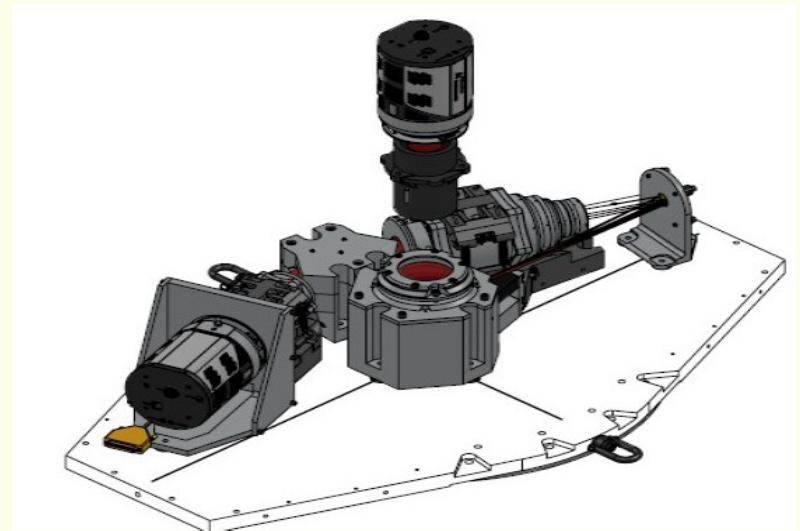
P60 Follow-Up Telescope

PTF

iPTF

ZTF

Property	Amplifier 1	Amplifier 2	Full Chip
Array Size	2048×1024	2048×1024	2048×2048
Pixel Size (μm)	24
Plate Scale (arcsec pixel $^{-1}$)	0.378
Field of View (arcmin)	12.9×6.5	12.9×6.5	12.9×12.9
Gain (e $^-$ ADU $^{-1}$)	2.2	2.8	...
Read Noise (e $^-$)	5.3	7.8	...
Dark Current (e $^-$ s $^{-1}$)	10^{-3}	10^{-3}	...
Charge Transfer Efficiency	> 99.999%	99.999%	...
Full Well Capacity (e $^-$)	130,000	140,000	...
Bias Level (ADU)	610	445	...
Saturation Limit (ADU)	50,000	45,000	...

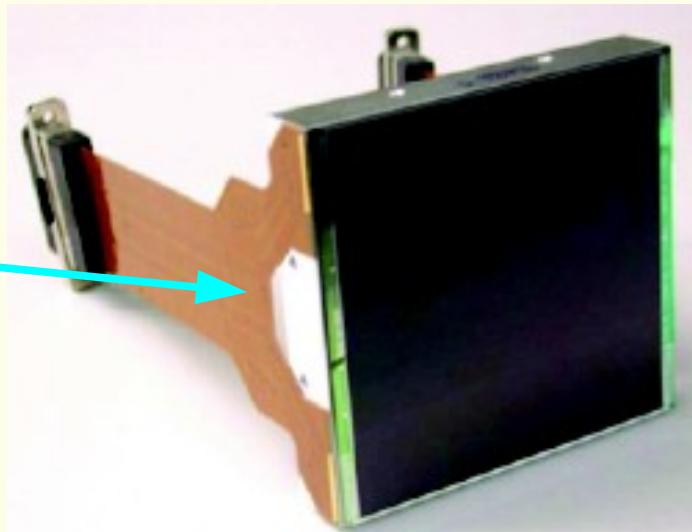
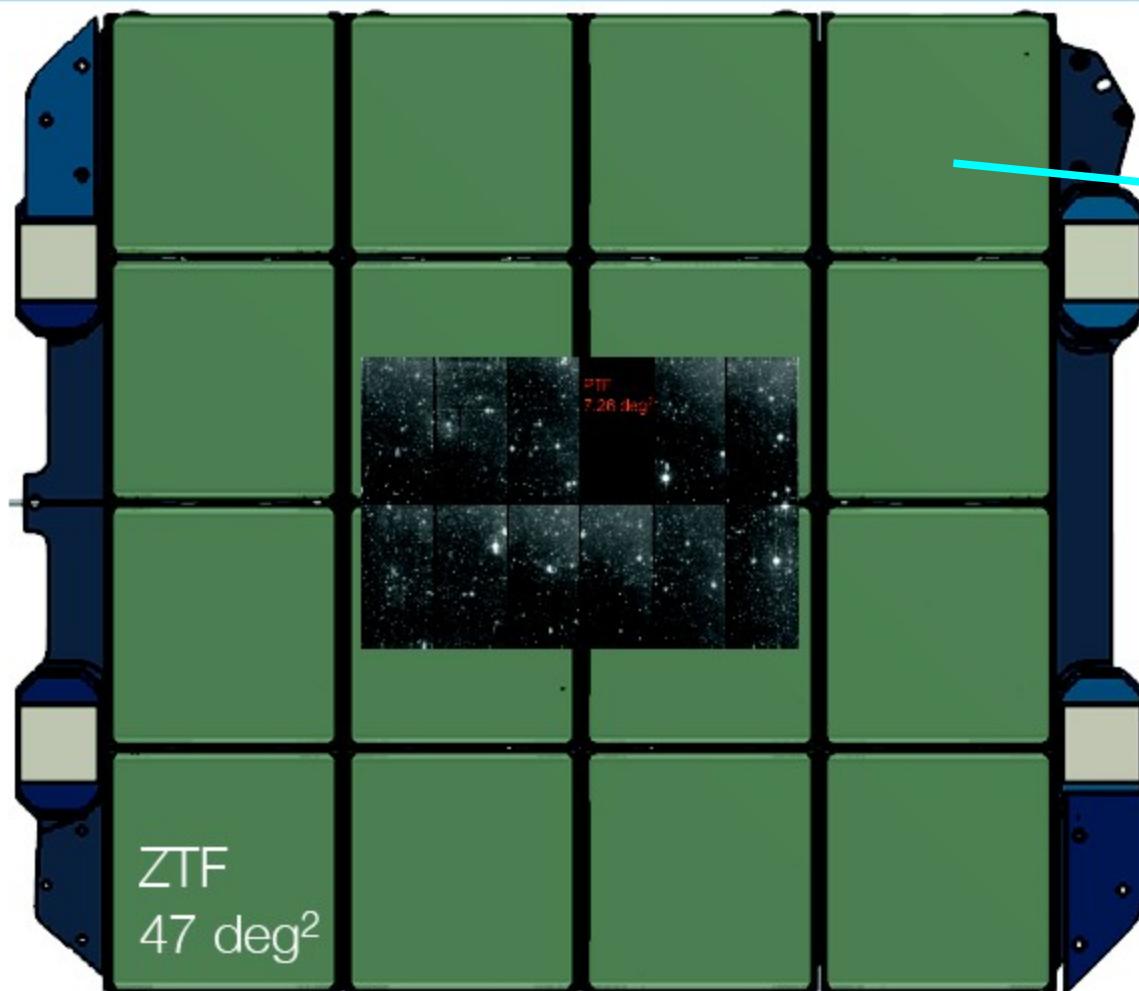


- Fully robotic
- Standard broadband filters (UBVRI + griz)

- Low resolution ($R \sim 100$) IFU using lenslet array
- Simultaneous 4-band imager for flux calibration
- Fast classification of SNe

Next Step: ZTF and Its Camera

A new camera will fill the P48 focal plane.



e2v	
dimension	9.2 x 9.2 cm
pixels	6.1k x 6.1k
pixel size	15 micron
pixel scale	1"/pixel
outputs	4

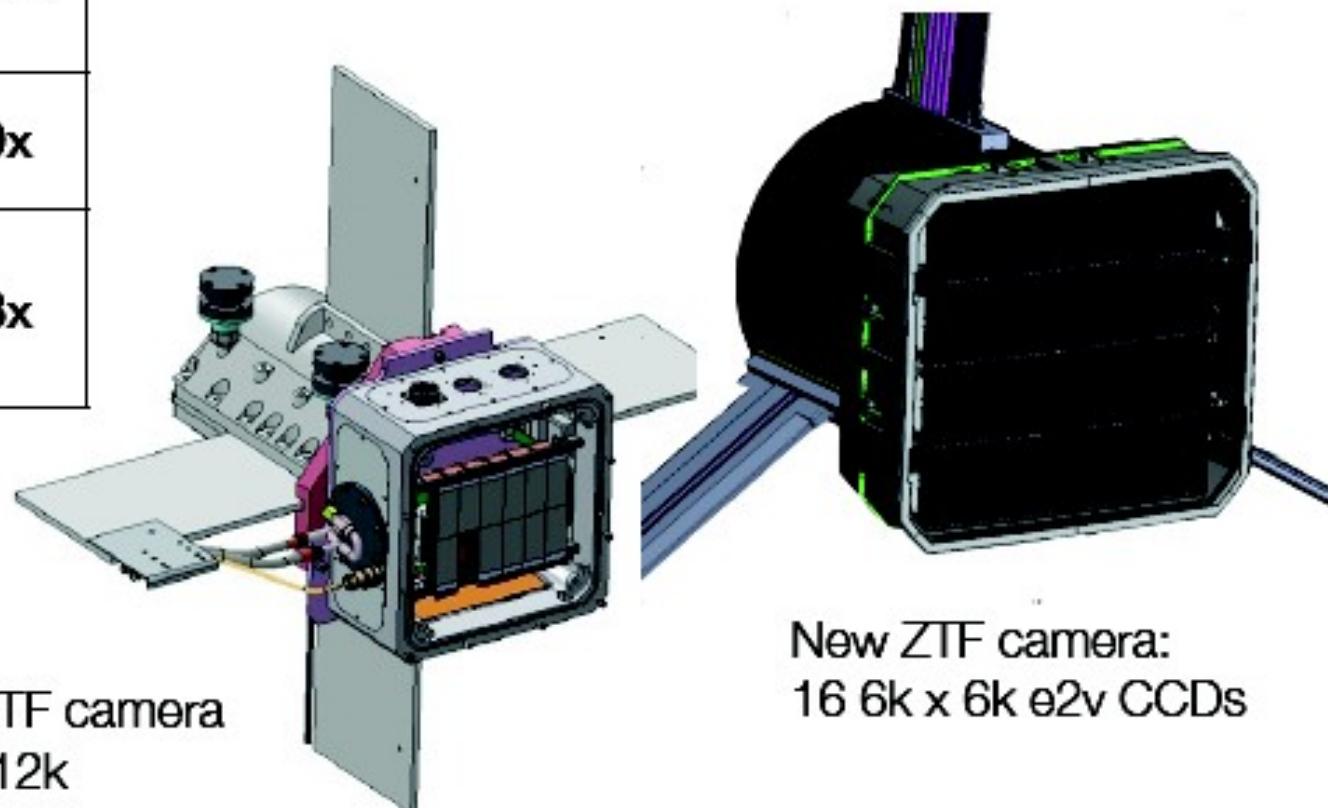
ZTF will survey an order of magnitude faster than PTF.

	PTF	ZTF
Active Area	7.26 deg ²	47 deg ²
Overhead Time	46 sec	<15 sec
Optimal Exposure Time	60 sec	30 sec
Relative Areal Survey Rate	1x	15.0x
Relative Volumetric Survey Rate	1x	12.3x

3750 deg²/hour

⇒ 3π survey in 8 hours

>250 observations/field/year
for uniform survey



Existing PTF camera
MOSAIC 12k

New ZTF camera:
16 6k x 6k e2v CCDs

<http://www.ptf.caltech.edu/>

www.ptf.caltech.edu/iptf convert keynote to ppt

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Supernovae Discovered by PTF

All SNe	SNe Ia	SNe Ibc	SNe II
2,203	1,479	103	545

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Recent NEAs Discovered

Name	Found	Size*	Orbit
2013 WV4	11-03-13	530 m	Amor
2013 PV6	08-02-13	730 m	Amor
2013 OS5	07-30-13	330 m	Amor
2013 JH14+	05-05-13	180 m	Apollo
2013 JE1	04-30-13	760 m	Apollo
2013 HN11	04-18-13	200 m	Amor
2013 GZ79	03-31-13	530 m	Amor
2013 EW128	03-15-13	440 m	Apollo

News



M42
Observation • March 4, 2014
This is a g- and R-band image from PTF of a segment of M42, the Great Nebula in Orion, one of the largest and nearest star-forming regions.

[Explore Image →](#)

Featured Video



The discovery of SN2014J in the nearby starburst galaxy M82

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Publications

Total Publications: 79

Connection between optical and γ-ray variability in blazars
Hovatta, T., et al. 2014

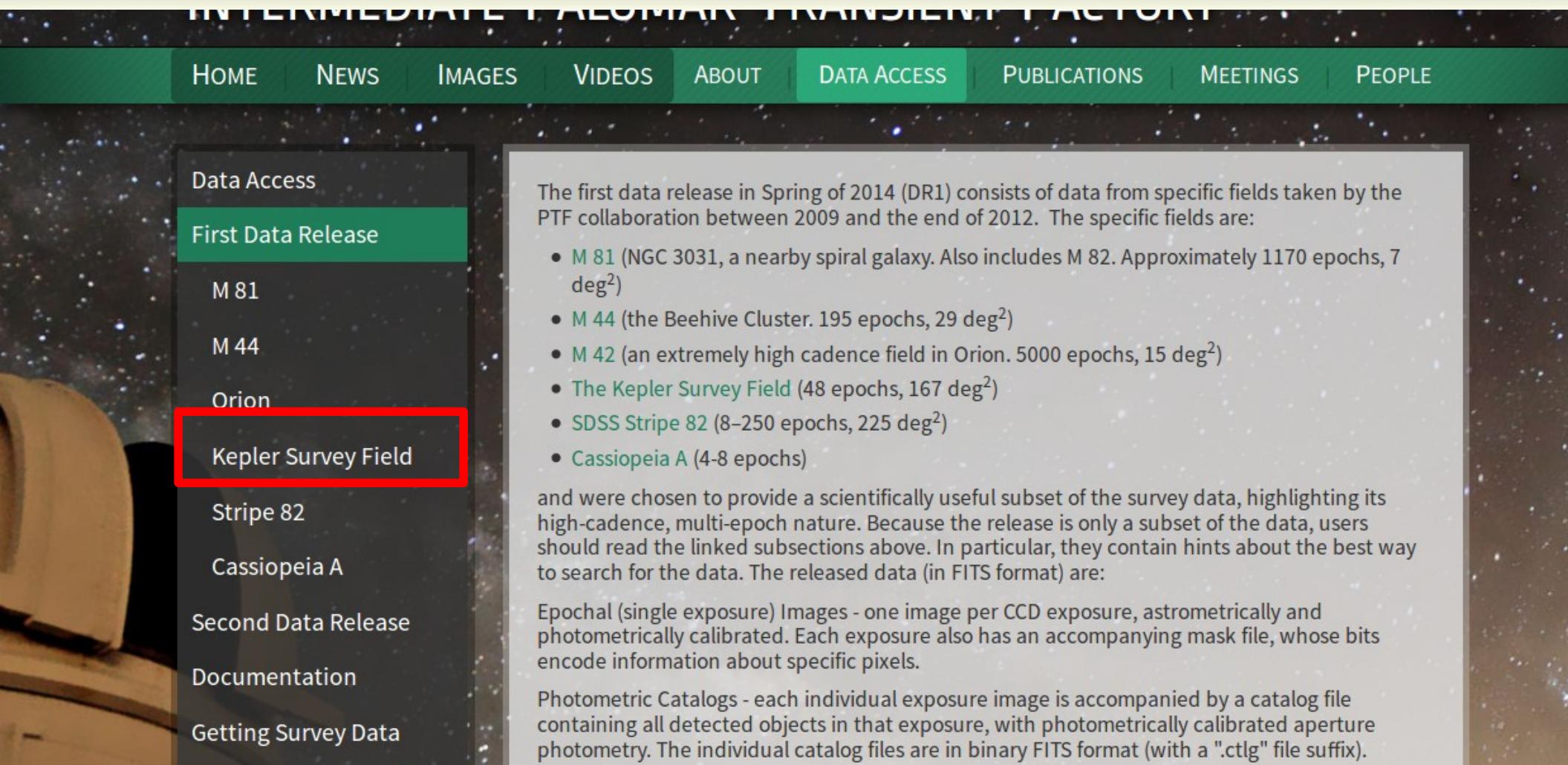
The rise and fall of the Type Ib supernova iPTF13bvn - Not a massive Wolf-Rayet star
Fremling, C., et al. 2014

First Searches for Optical Counterparts to Gravitational-wave Candidate Events
Aasi, J., et al. 2014

The host galaxies of Type Ia supernovae discovered by the Palomar Transient Factory
Pan, Y.-C., et al. 2014

The discovery of SN2014J in the nearby starburst galaxy M82
Goobar, A., et al. 2014

PTF Public Released Data: DR1



The screenshot shows the PTF website interface. At the top, there's a dark green header bar with the text "INTERMEDIATE PALOMAR TRANSIENT FACTORY" in white. Below it is a navigation bar with links: HOME, NEWS, IMAGES, VIDEOS, ABOUT, DATA ACCESS (which is highlighted in green), PUBLICATIONS, MEETINGS, and PEOPLE. The main content area has a light gray background with a star field image. On the left, a sidebar under "Data Access" lists "First Data Release" items: M 81, M 44, Orion, Kepler Survey Field (which is highlighted with a red box), Stripe 82, Cassiopeia A, "Second Data Release", "Documentation", and "Getting Survey Data". The main content area starts with a paragraph about DR1, followed by a bulleted list of survey fields, and then descriptive text about the data format and catalog files.

Data Access

First Data Release

M 81

M 44

Orion

Kepler Survey Field

Stripe 82

Cassiopeia A

Second Data Release

Documentation

Getting Survey Data

The first data release in Spring of 2014 (DR1) consists of data from specific fields taken by the PTF collaboration between 2009 and the end of 2012. The specific fields are:

- [M 81](#) (NGC 3031, a nearby spiral galaxy. Also includes M 82. Approximately 1170 epochs, 7 deg²)
- [M 44](#) (the Beehive Cluster. 195 epochs, 29 deg²)
- [M 42](#) (an extremely high cadence field in Orion. 5000 epochs, 15 deg²)
- [The Kepler Survey Field](#) (48 epochs, 167 deg²)
- [SDSS Stripe 82](#) (8–250 epochs, 225 deg²)
- [Cassiopeia A](#) (4-8 epochs)

and were chosen to provide a scientifically useful subset of the survey data, highlighting its high-cadence, multi-epoch nature. Because the release is only a subset of the data, users should read the linked subsections above. In particular, they contain hints about the best way to search for the data. The released data (in FITS format) are:

Epochal (single exposure) Images - one image per CCD exposure, astrometrically and photometrically calibrated. Each exposure also has an accompanying mask file, whose bits encode information about specific pixels.

Photometric Catalogs - each individual exposure image is accompanied by a catalog file containing all detected objects in that exposure, with photometrically calibrated aperture photometry. The individual catalog files are in binary FITS format (with a ".ctlg" file suffix).

Getting the PTF Public Data

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GUI Interface
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Asteroids

The [GUI interface](#) is based on a standardized toolkit used by IRSA for all of its mission data. If you are familiar with the Spitzer Heritage Archive or the WISE archive, you are already probably already familiar with workings of the PTF archive. The GUI interface offers several different search types. It has numerous capabilities, described below, as well as in the general documentation available directly in the tool. This also allows you to download data.

Click here to access the GUI interface.

Download the [Quick User's Guide to Using the PTF Archive GUI](#)

Palomar Transient Factory Archive Graphical User Interface Search and Retrieval Basics

Getting the PTF Public Data

Input target's coordinate (RA/DEC) here

The screenshot shows the IRSA Data Explorer interface with a search form for "Search by Position". The form includes fields for "Name or Position:", "Search Type (Region Intersection)", "Return Image Size", and "Data Product Level". There are also sections for "Optional search constraints" and "Background Monitor". The "Name or Position:" field is highlighted with a large black arrow pointing from the text above.

Image Searches

- [Search by Position](#)
- [Search by PTF Field ID](#)
- [Solar System Object/Orbit](#)

Search by Position

Single Object **Multi Object**

Name or Position:

NED

Examples: 'm81' 'ngc 13' '12.34 34.89' '46.53, -0.251 gal'
'19h17m32s 11d58m02s equ j2000' '12.3, 8.5 b1950'

Example for PTF name resolver: 10fqs, 09ab

Search Type (Region Intersection):

Return Image Size (leave blank for full images): Arc Seconds

Return only the most centered image containing the target: No Yes

Data Product Level: Level-1 Single Exposure Level-2 Coadd

► Optional search constraints

Background Monitor

Getting the PTF Public Data

Select data and download

The screenshot shows the PTF Data Reduction Software interface. A green arrow points from the text "Select data and download" to the "Prepare Download" button in the search results table.

Search Results:

- Search by Position: 280.2448916666667;48.74508333333333;EQ_J2000; Type=CENTER; Image Size=0.1389 deg; Product Level=1
- Level-1
- Prepare Download

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Image Preview: PTF Image 1x

Accessing PTF FITS Catalogs

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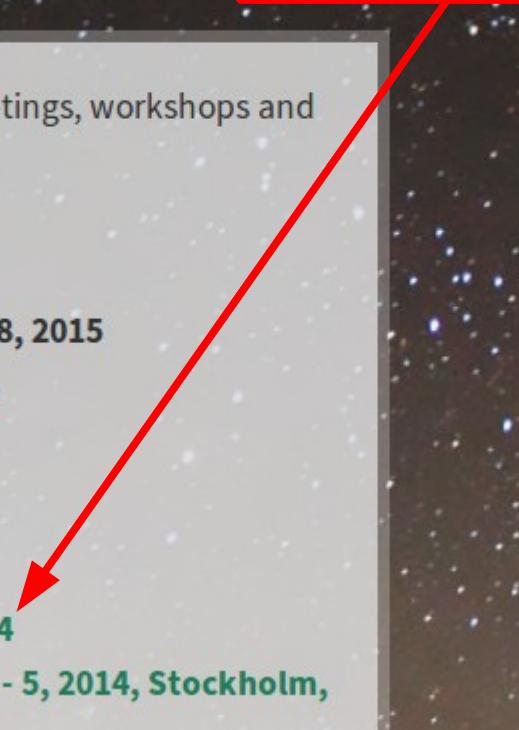
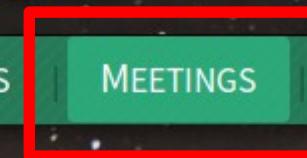
The iPTF and ZTF collaboration organizes regular science meetings, workshops and summer schools:

Ongoing:

- [The 2015 iPTF Summer School at Caltech, August 24 - 28, 2015](#)
- [ZTF Summer Undergraduate Astronomy Institute, 2015](#)

Past:

- [The PTF/iPTF Workshop at Taiwan, Sept. 15-18, 2014](#)
- [The iPTF Summer School at Caltech August 25 - 29, 2014](#)
- [The Transient Universe as Seen by iPTF and ZTF June 2 - 5, 2014, Stockholm, Sweden](#)



Accessing PTF FITS Catalogs

The screenshot shows the "Agenda" page of the Palomar Summer School website. A red box highlights the "Agenda" link in the sidebar, and a red arrow points from the text "Python packages installation" at the bottom left to the "Required Preparatory Work" section in the main content area.

Overview

Agenda

Posters

Registration

Participants

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Local Hotels

The latest News: Sept. 2

Summer School

Palomar Tour After the Summer School

After the successful Summer School, view [pictures](#) taken during the tour.

Update on the summer school, August

Required Preparatory Work

The summer school has multiple hands-on sessions. [Follow the instruction](#) here to install the necessary software before the start of the summer school.

Summer School Program

- Day 2: PTF and Other Surveys (Tuesday, 26 August 2014)
 - Morning Session: 9:00am (Chair: Eran Ofek)
 - [PTF Operation \(9:00-9:30\)](#) [25+5] Tom Barlow
 - [PTF Data Flow \(9:30-10:00\)](#) [25+5] Jason Surace
 - [IPAC Photometric Pipeline \(10:00-10:30\)](#) [25+5] Russ Laher
 - *Break: 20 minutes*
 - [PTFIDE & Forced Photometry \(10:50-11:20\)](#) [25+5] Frank Masci
 - [IPAC PTF Archive \(11:20-11:50\)](#) [25+5] Jason Surace
 - Lunch Break
 - Afternoon Session: 1:30pm (Chair: Tom Barlow)
 - [NEO with PTF \(1:30-2:00\)](#) [25+5] Adam Waszczak
 - [Streakers with PTF \(2:00-2:30\)](#) [25+5] Adam Waszczak
 - [PTFMOPS \(2:30-3:00\)](#) [25+5] Frank Masci
 - *Break: 20 minutes*
 - [ToO observations with PTF \(3:20-3:50\)](#) [25+5] Leo Singer
 - [PTF Data Caveats & Cautionary Notes \(3:50-4:05\)](#) [10+5] Mansi Kasliwal
 - [Case Studies and Hands-on session with PTF data](#)
 - Session 1:
 - [How to use PTF data to make light curves \(4:05-4:45\)](#) [40 min] Adam Miller
 - Office Hours: questions-and-answers (4:45- 5:15) [30min] TAs

Python packages installation

Accessing PTF FITS Catalogs

Collecting Catalog Files

PTF SExtractor catalogs can be obtained from the [IRSA PTF image archive](#). Images and source catalogs can be searched for via position or PTF field ID, more details are available on the [PTF Data Access website](#). The example below uses source catalogs from images of the open cluster M44.

We begin with the assumption that the images have been downloaded and unzipped in the present working directory.

Making a Light Curve: I. The Basic Solution

For PTF a nightly photometric solution is determined for each image (for further details see Ofek et al. 2012), thus, the easiest way to create a light curve for a given star is to grab its measured brightness on each of the PTF images. This is simple to implement in python using a for loop.

```
import numpy as np          # array manipulation
import astropy.io.fits as fits # fits file manipulation
import glob                  # to grab source files

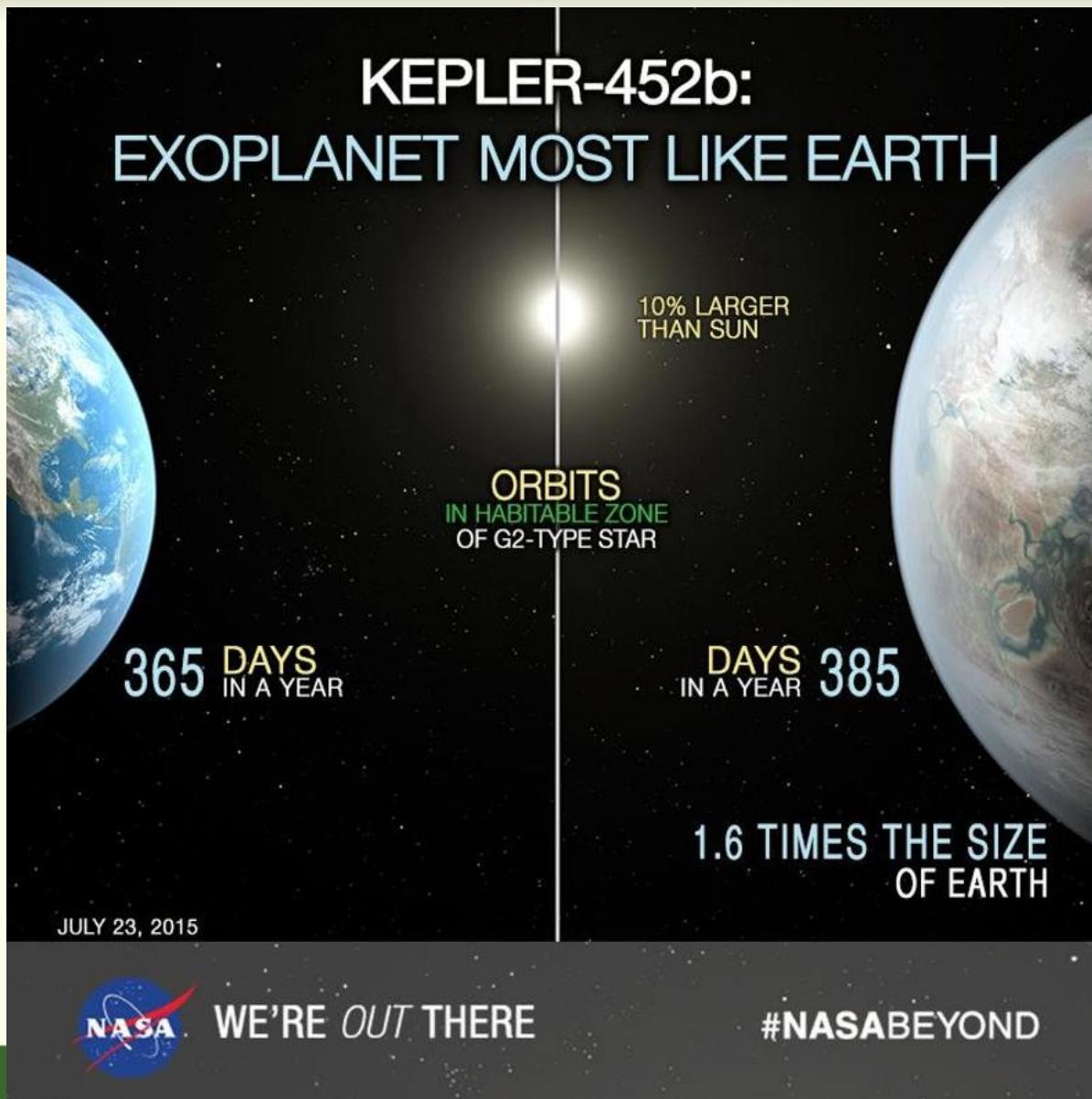
files = glob.glob("PTF*ctlg") # list of all source files
targ_ra = 128.86346          # right ascension of target
targ_dec = 19.75875          # declination of target
match_r = 2.0                 # source matching radius in arcsec
```

Python!!

PTF/iPTF/ZTF and NCU

- Our institution (IANCU) joined PTF in 2012 (last year of PTF) and fully participate in iPTF under the TANGO Project (PI: W.-H. Ip)
 - Science interest: asteroids and variable stars
- We plan to join the ZTF under TANGO-II Project
 - Year 1 funded, Year 2 and beyond pending on funding
- Participation to PTF/iPTF/ZTF under UST (台聯大, both NCU and NTHU)

Latest News on Kepler's Discovery

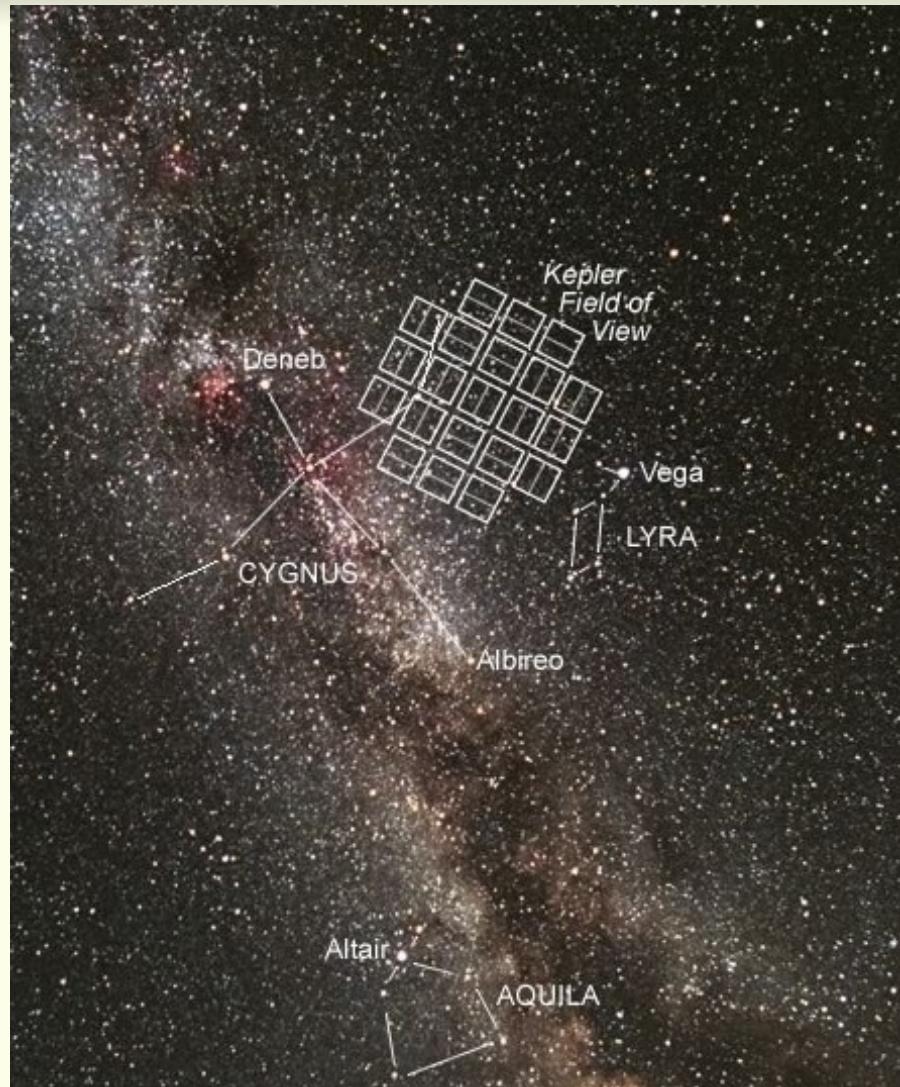


NASA's Kepler Space Telescope



NASA's first mission
to detect Earth-size
planets orbiting in
the habitable zone
of Sun-like stars.

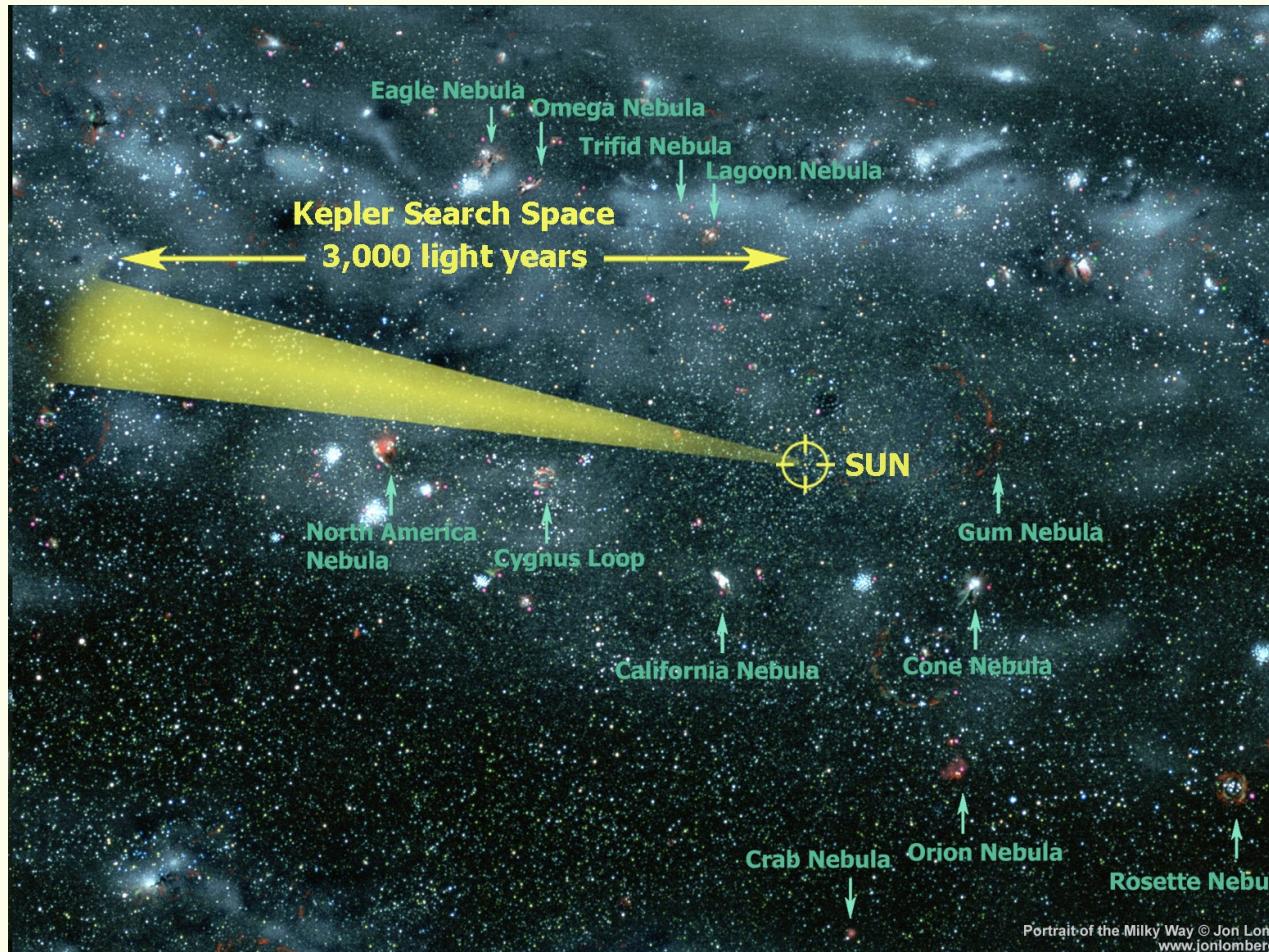
Kepler's Mission: An Overview



- NASA mission launched in 06 March 2009
- 105 square degrees ($10^\circ \times 10^\circ$) just above galactic plane in the constellation Cygnus (and Lyrae)
- Single field for ~4 years, **150,000** stars 30 minute sampling, 512 at 1 minute
→ BIG DATA!

Continuously and simultaneously monitoring same area of sky!

Kepler's Observations



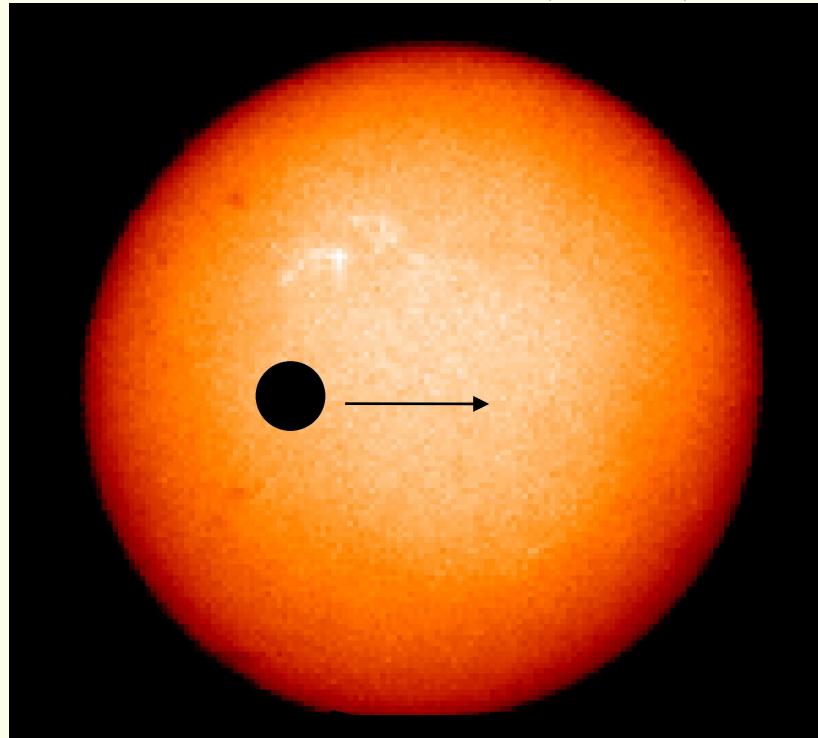
To detect two or more orbits of each planet orbiting in the **habitable zone** of sun-like stars.

The probability that a planet in the habitable zone is aligned properly to transit the star is about 0.5%.

Kepler's ST Main Goal: Detecting Exo-Planets Transits

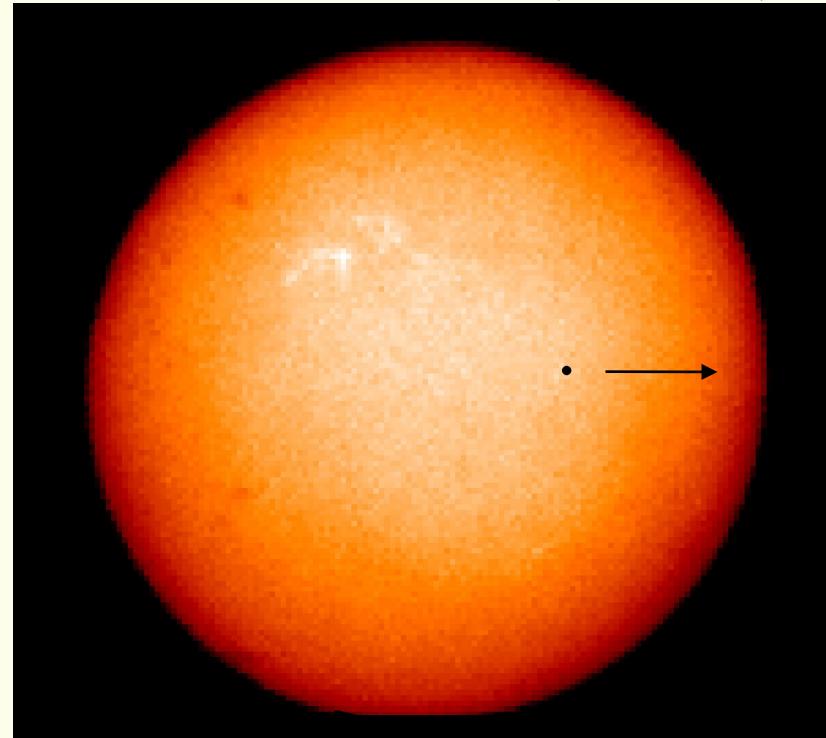
Size of Jupiter:

1% area of the Sun (1/100)



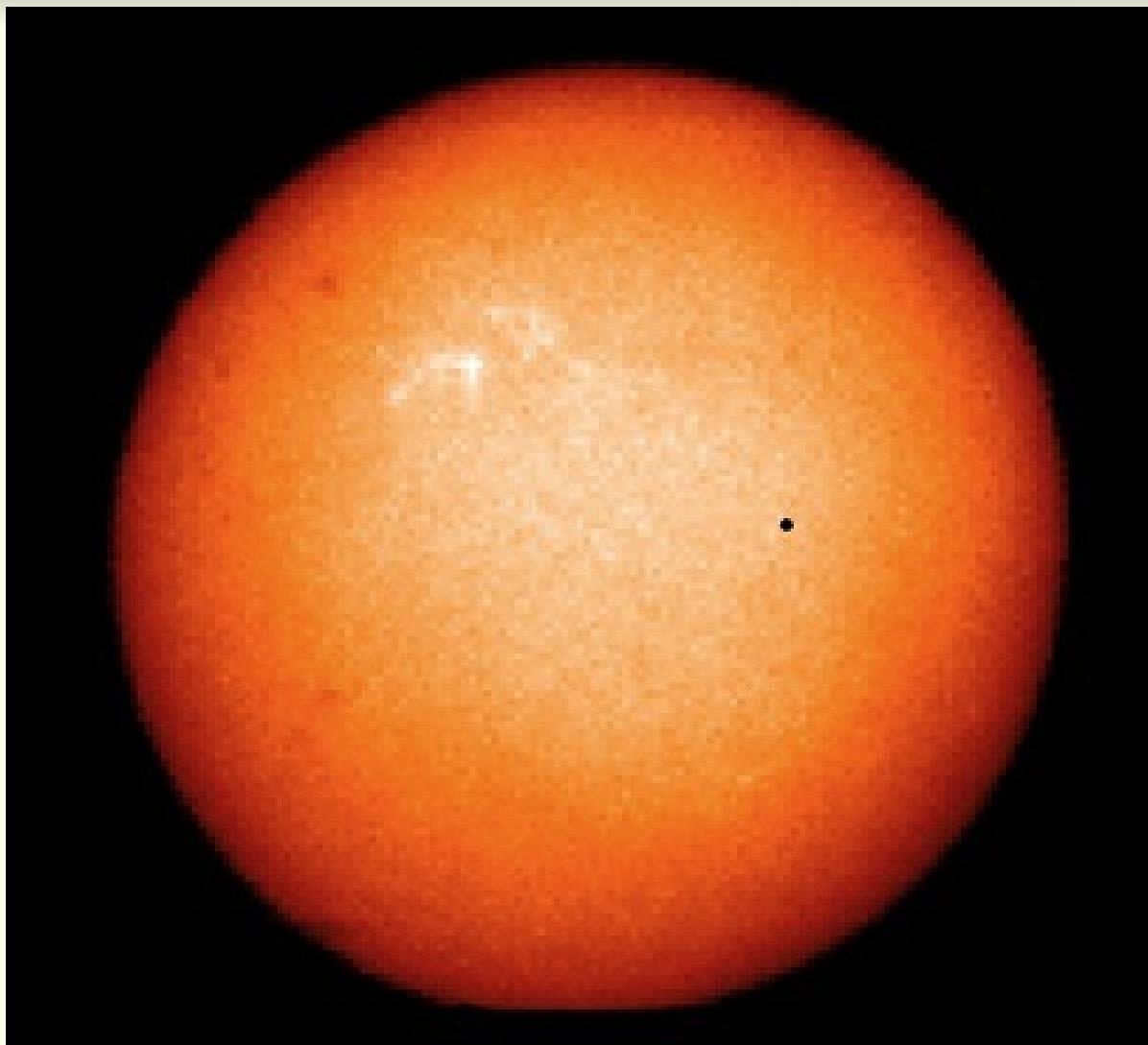
Size of Earth or Venus:

0.01% area of the Sun (1/10,000)



A transit occurs when a planet crosses the line of sight between an observer and a star and blocks a small amount of light from the star, causing the light from the star to dim slightly for a few hours.

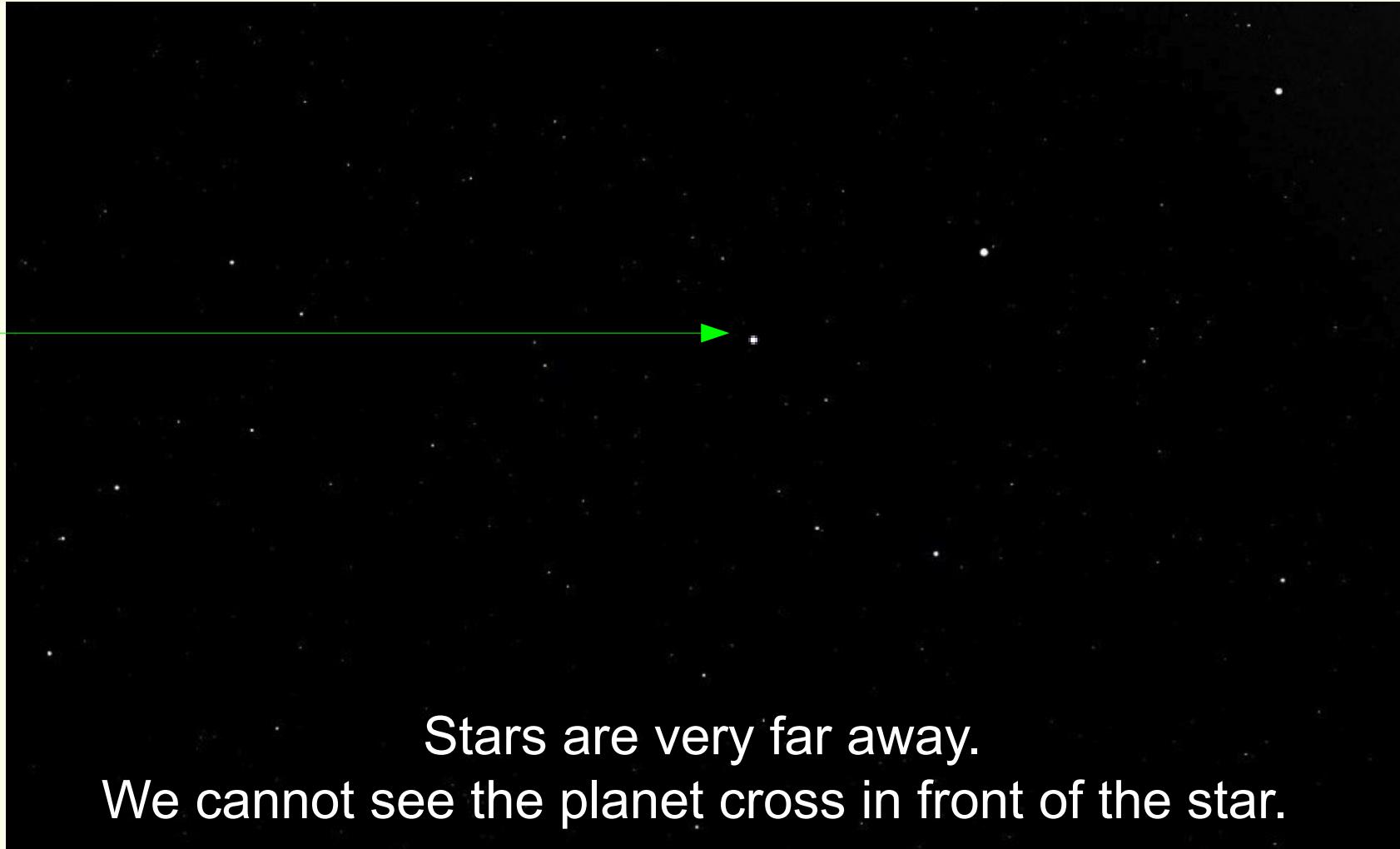
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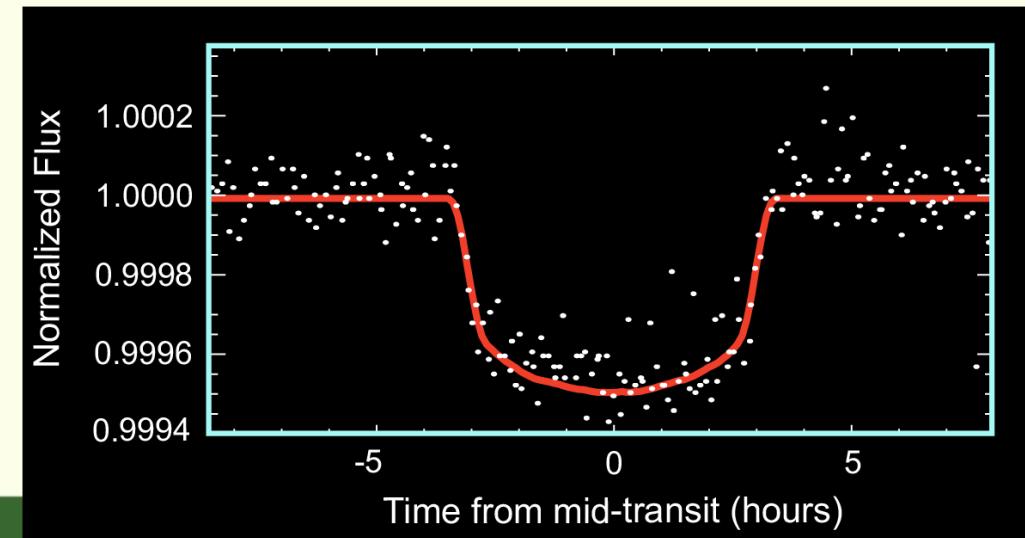
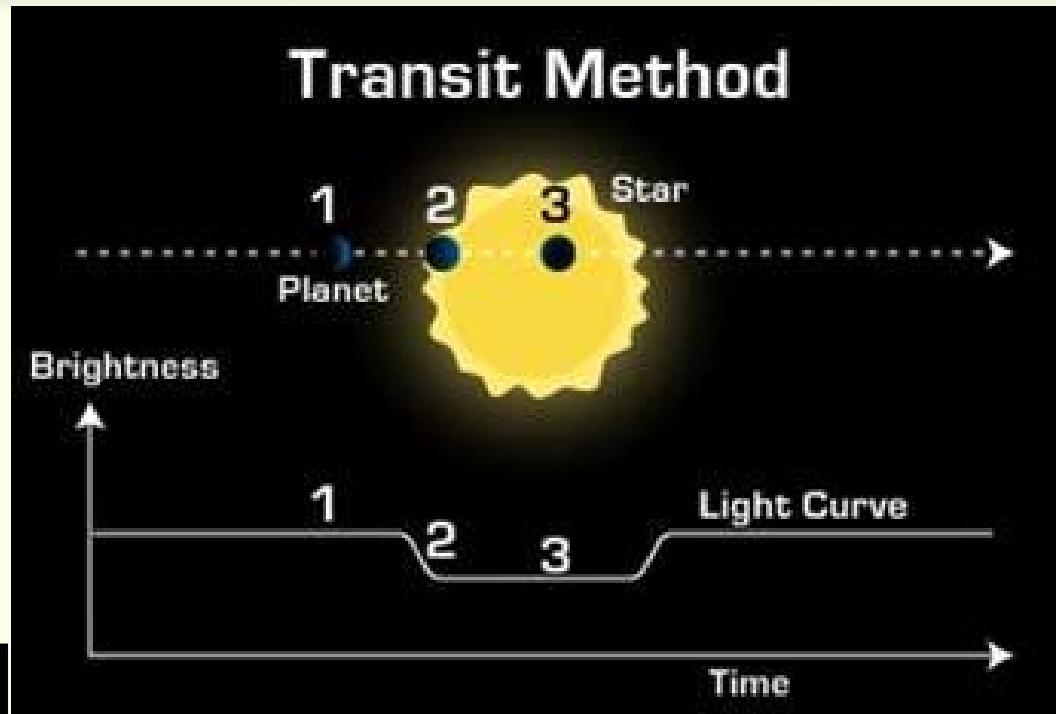
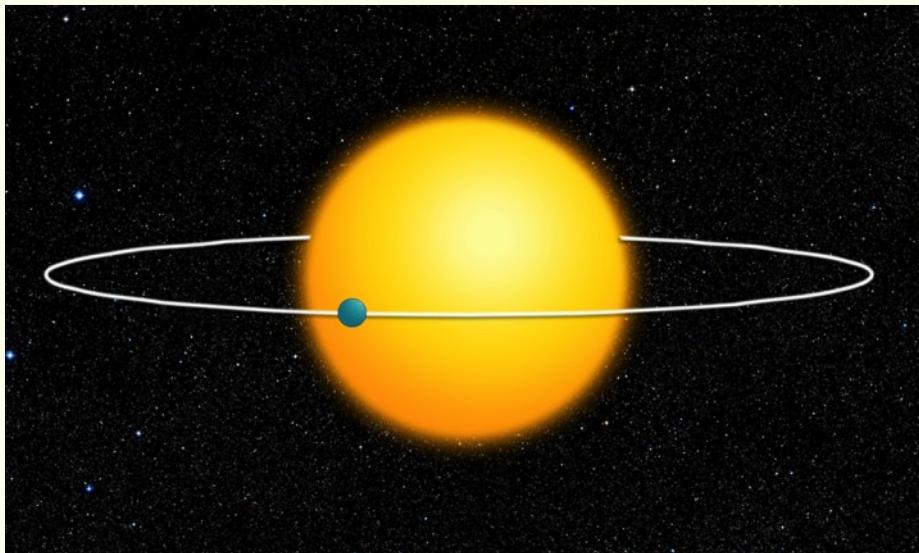


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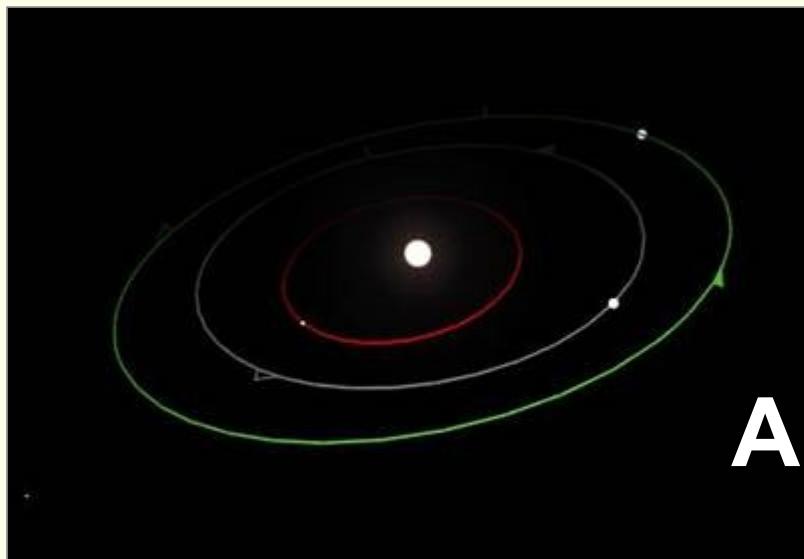
Stars are very far away.
We cannot see the planet cross in front of the star.

The Transit Technique



Orientation of the Planetary Systems

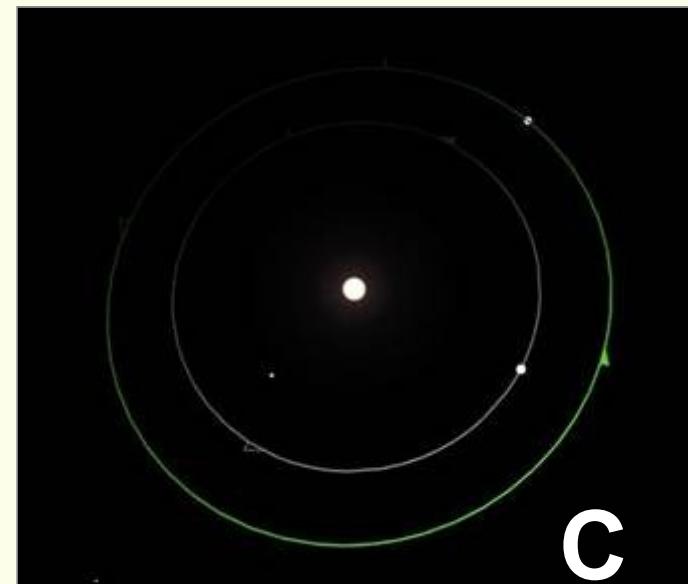
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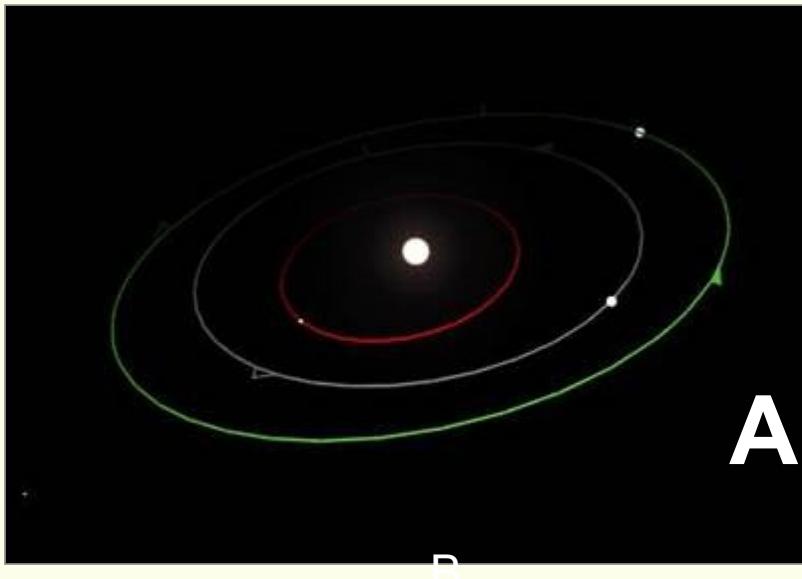
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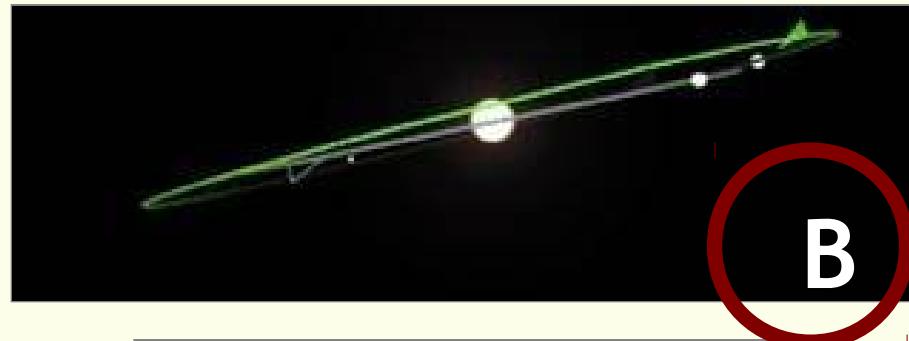
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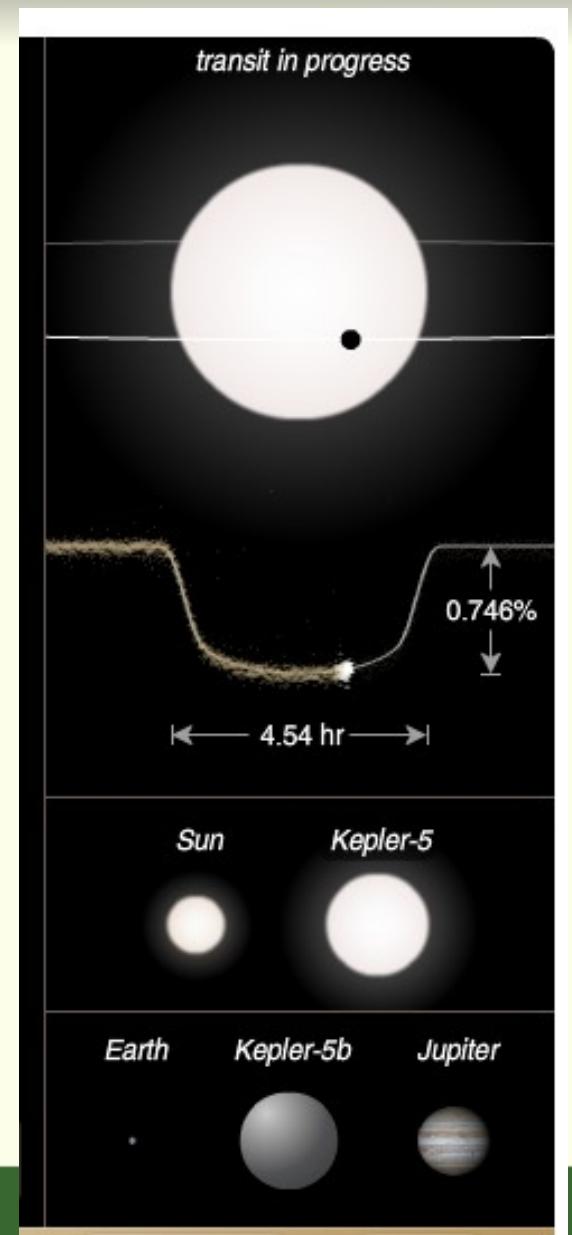
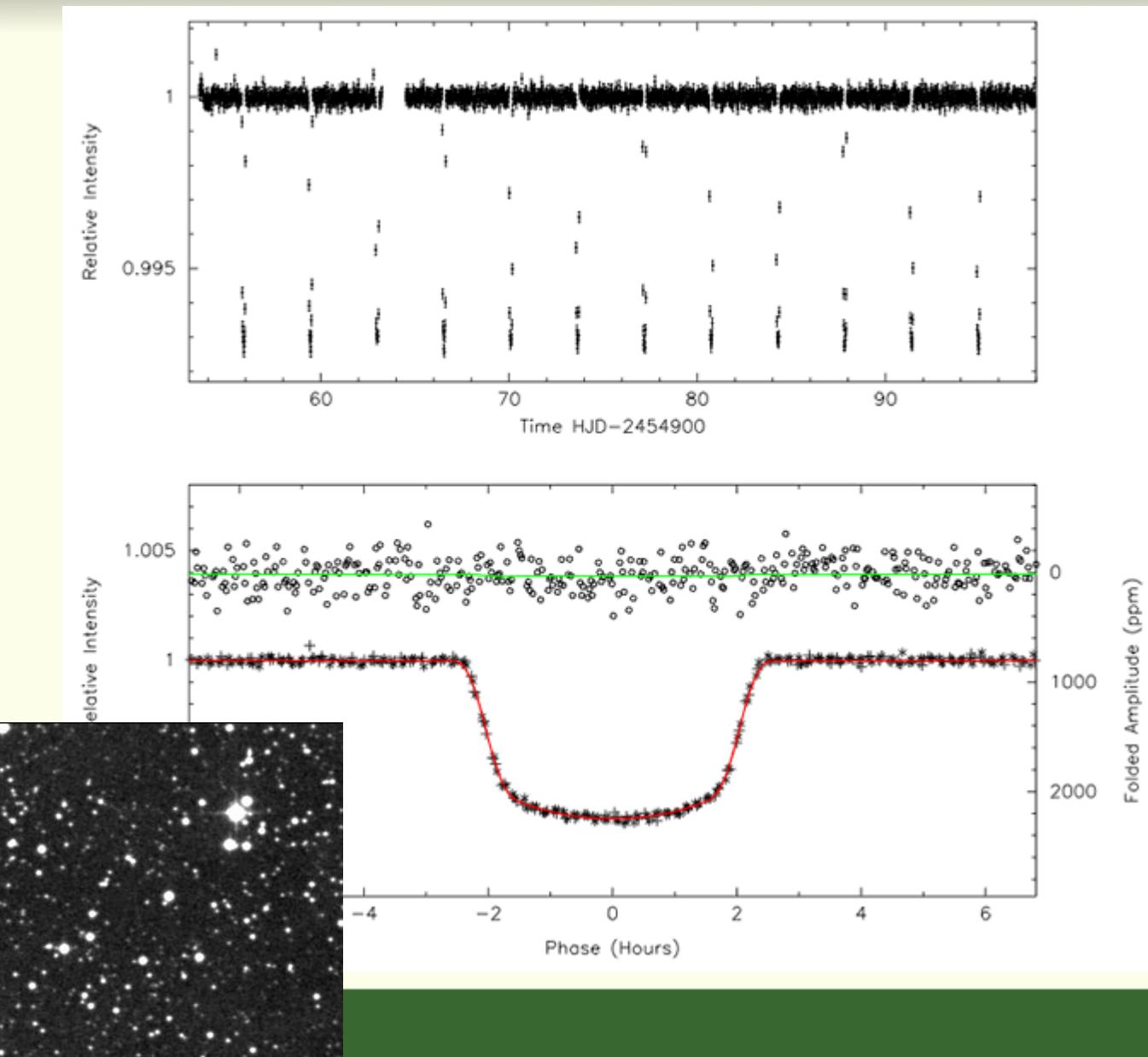
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C

The star's planets must orbit the star edge-on from our viewpoint! Not all planetary orbits are aligned this way. So we must watch thousands of stars to find several that are correctly oriented.

Example: Kepler 5-b Light Curve



Locations of Kepler Planet Candidates

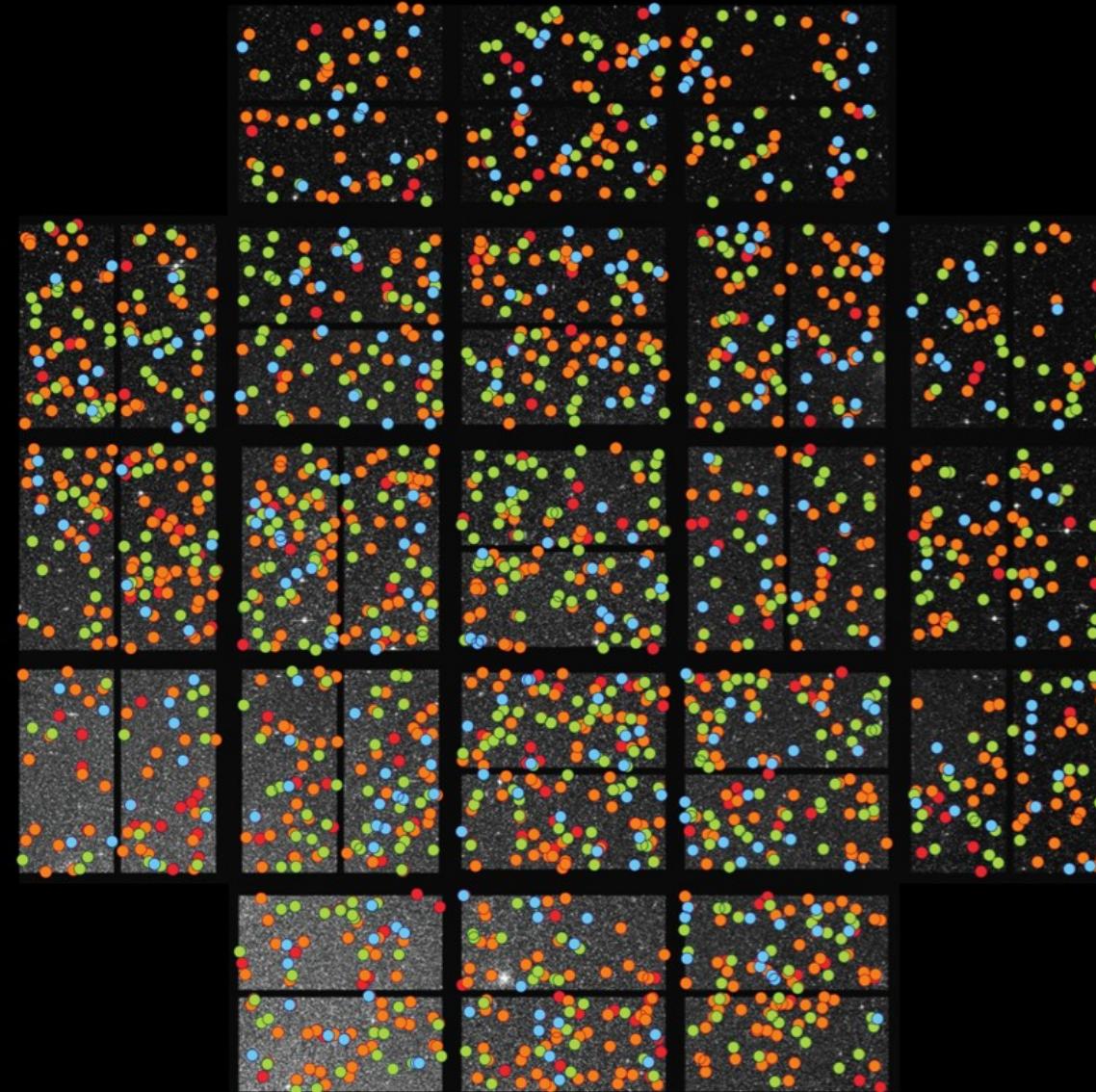
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● Earth-size

● Super-Earth size
1.25 - 2.0 Earth-size

● Neptune-size
2.0 - 6.0 Earth-size

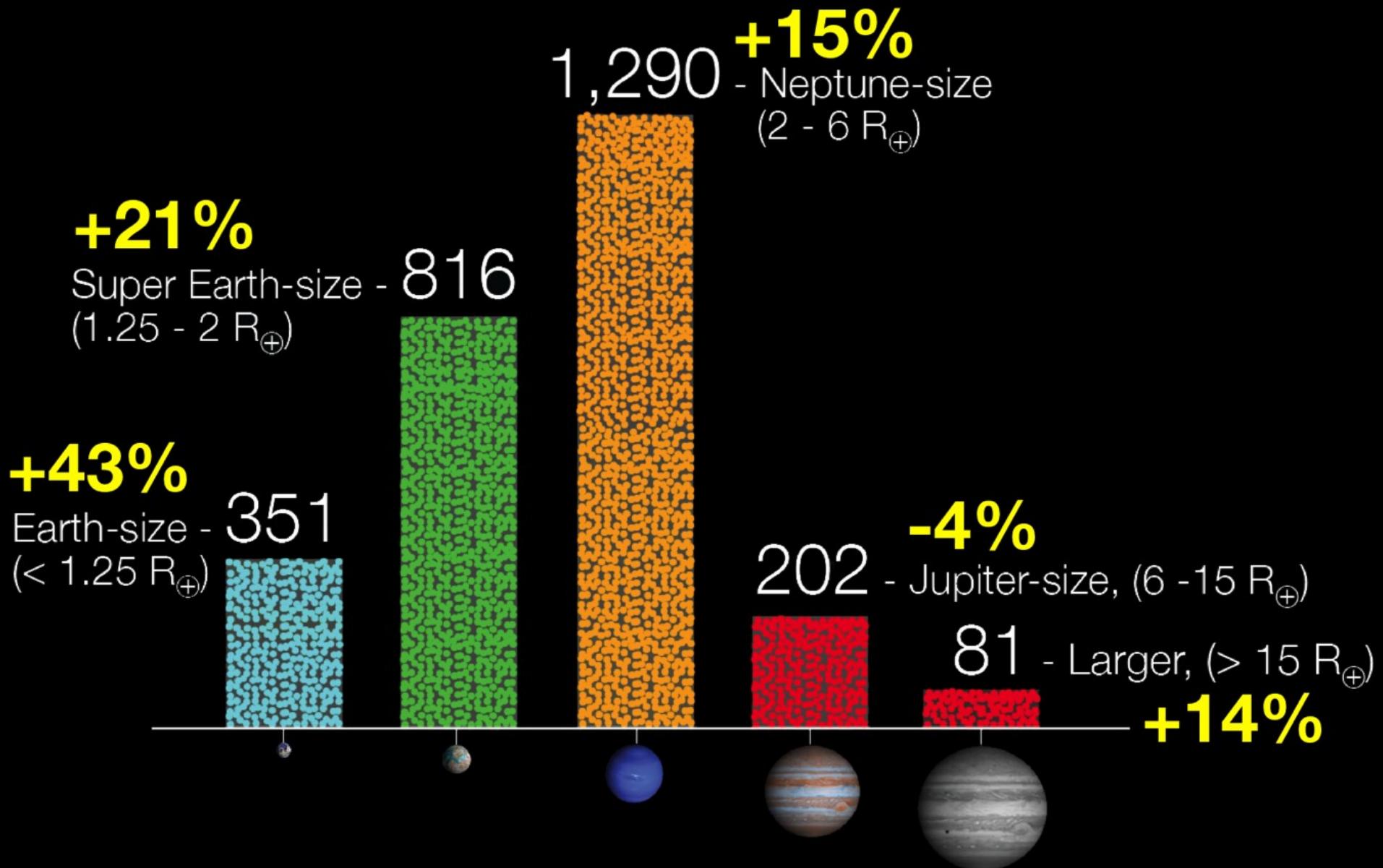
● Giant-planet size
6.0 - 22 Earth-size





Sizes of Planet Candidates

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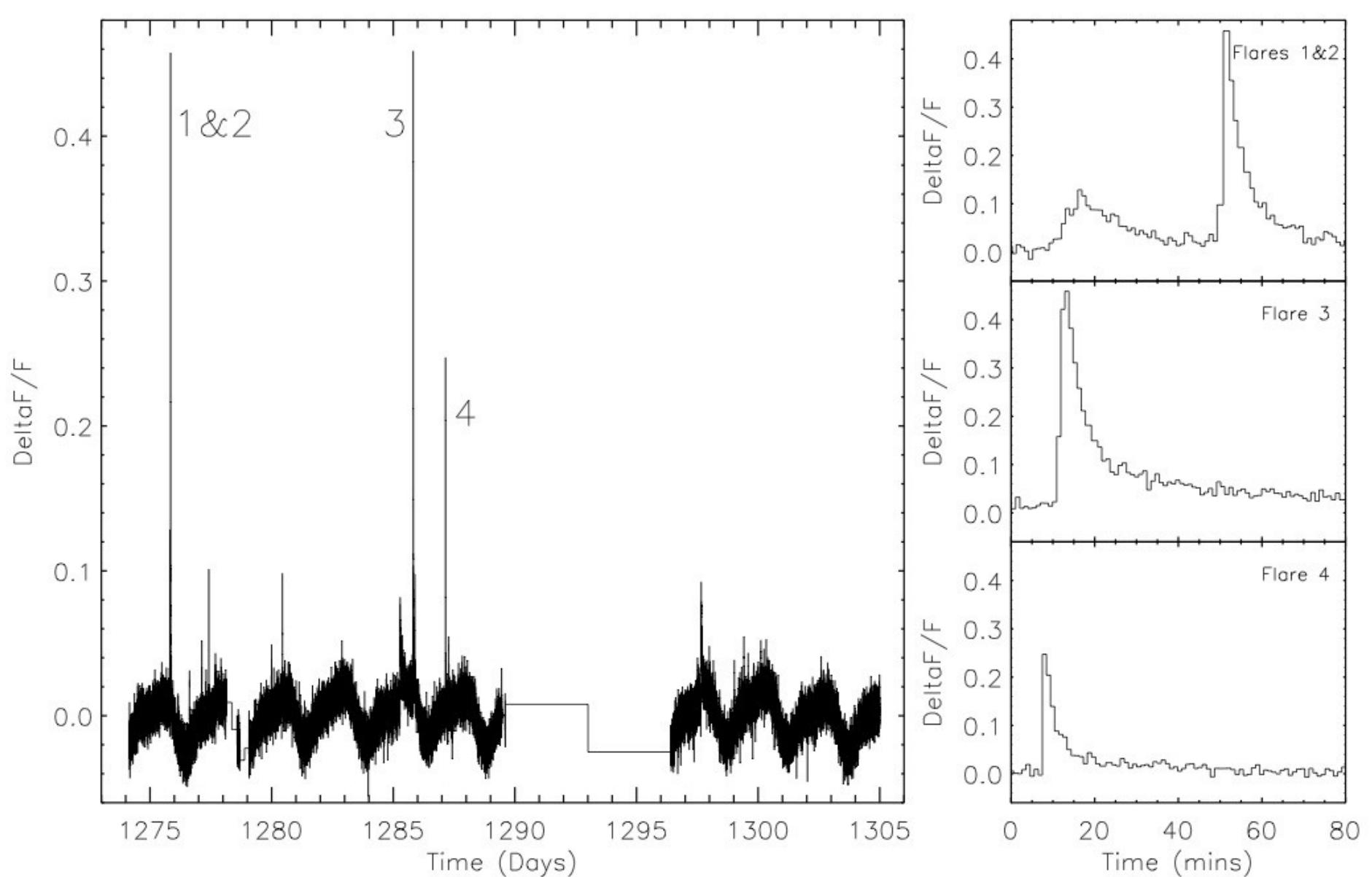


Not Just Transit: Kepler's Flare Stars

- Stellar flares: unpredicted eruption of corona's flares



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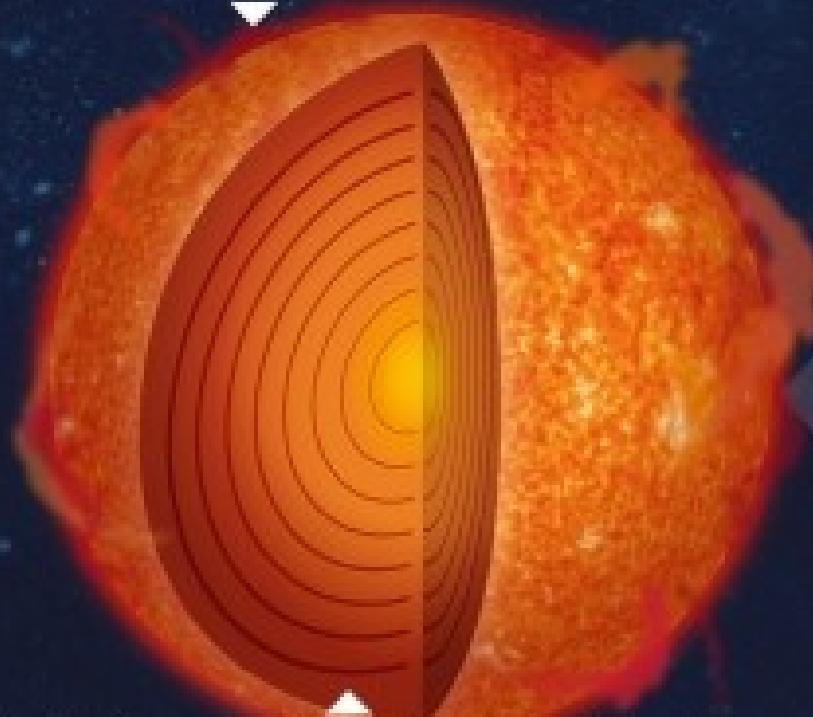


Not Just Transit: Asteroseismology

Celestial music

In the same way as a sound wave resonates inside an organ pipe to create a musical tone, sound waves on a far vaster scale can resonate inside a star. By measuring the frequencies of these waves, astronomers can learn about the star's internal structure.

Vibrations are generated by turbulence on the star's surface.



The vibrations penetrate deep into the star's interior, setting up resonant oscillations at frequencies depending on the star's size, density and rotation.

Astronomers see these oscillations as subtle, rhythmic changes in the star's brightness.

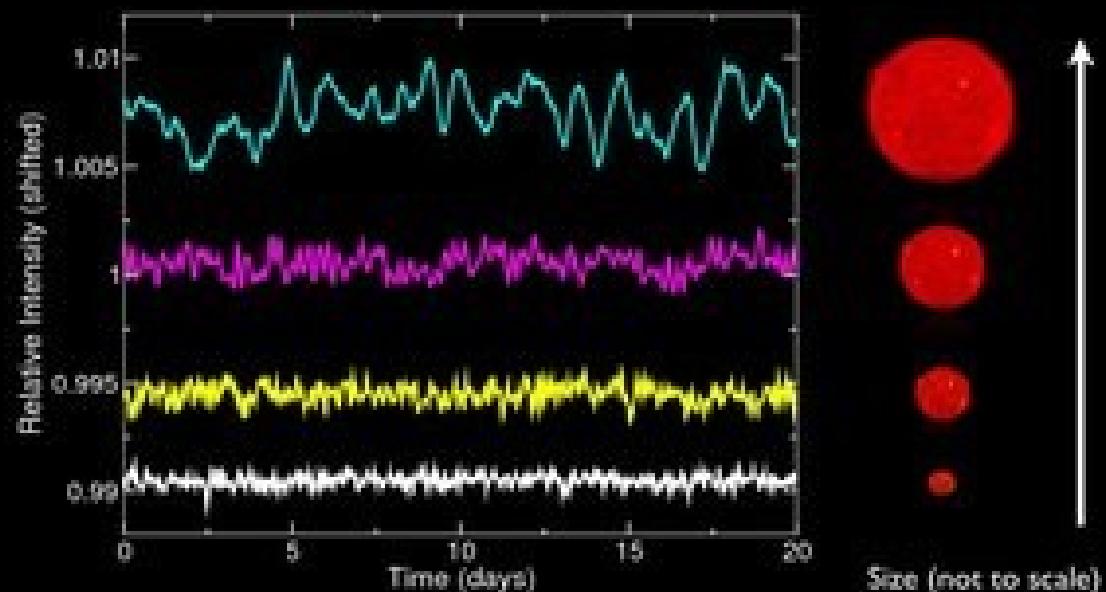


Resonant frequencies can vary from one every few minutes in Sun-like stars to one every few hundred days in red giants.

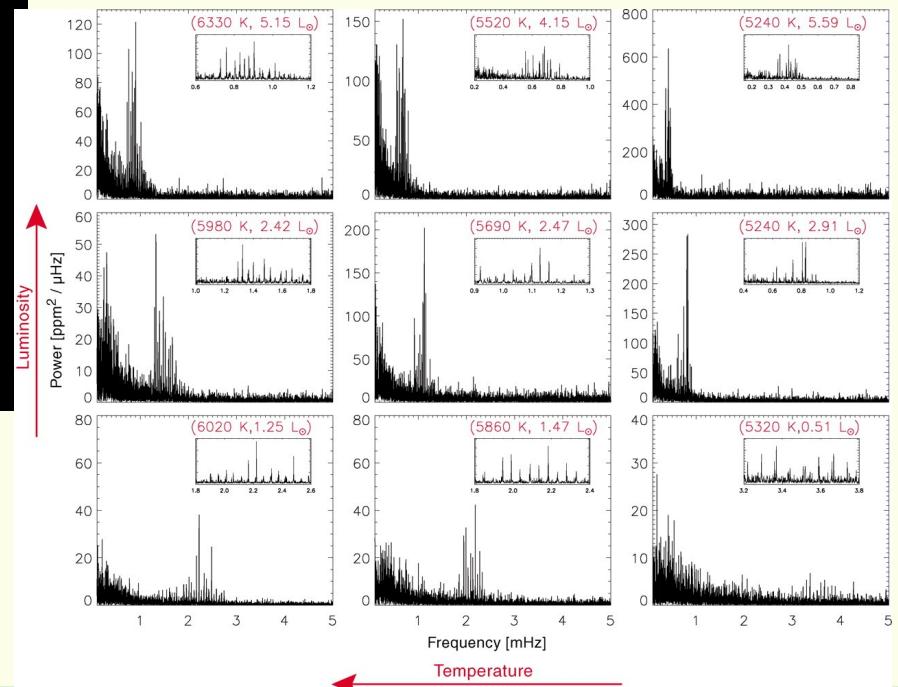


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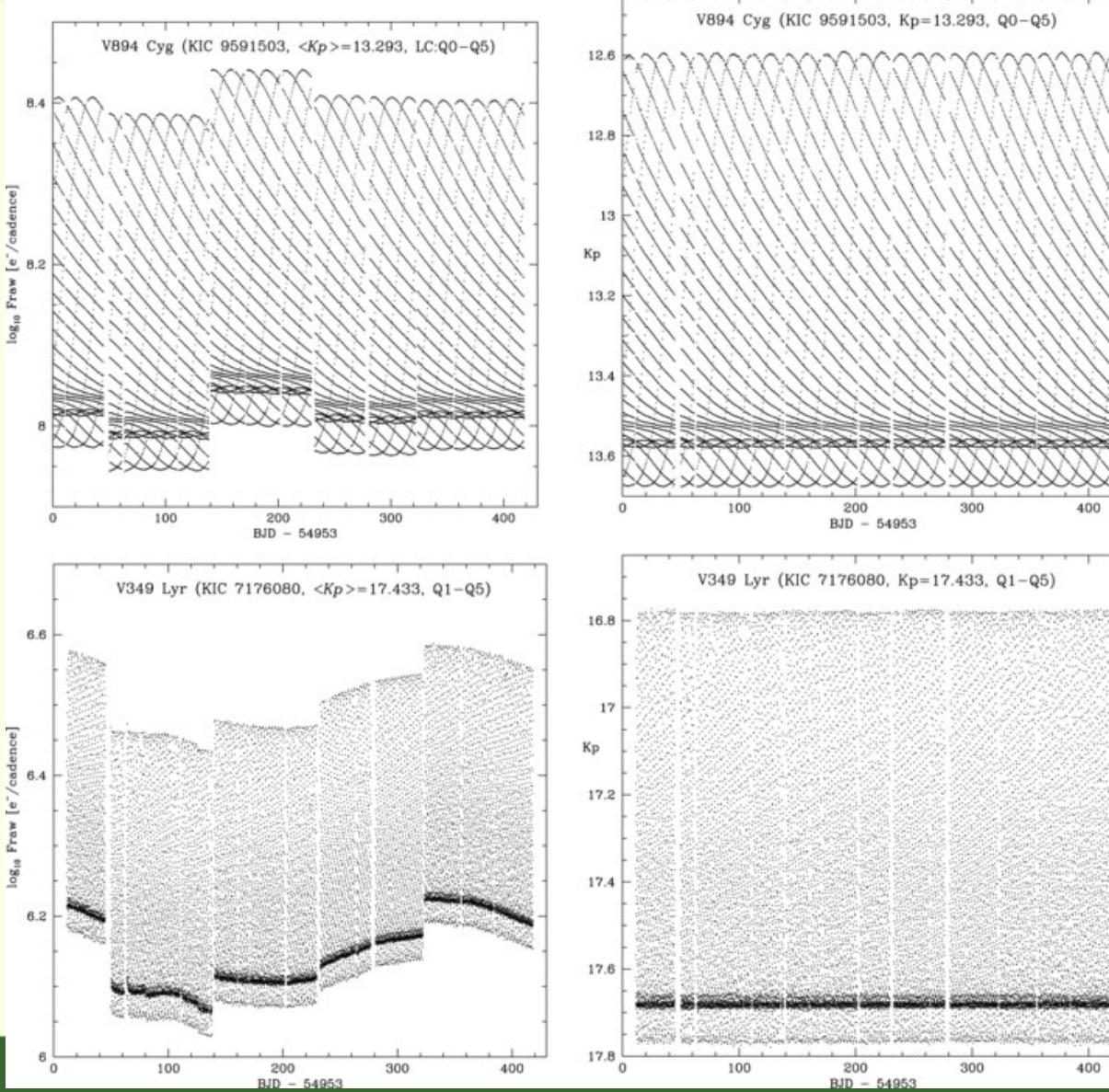
A Kepler "concert" of Red Giant Stars



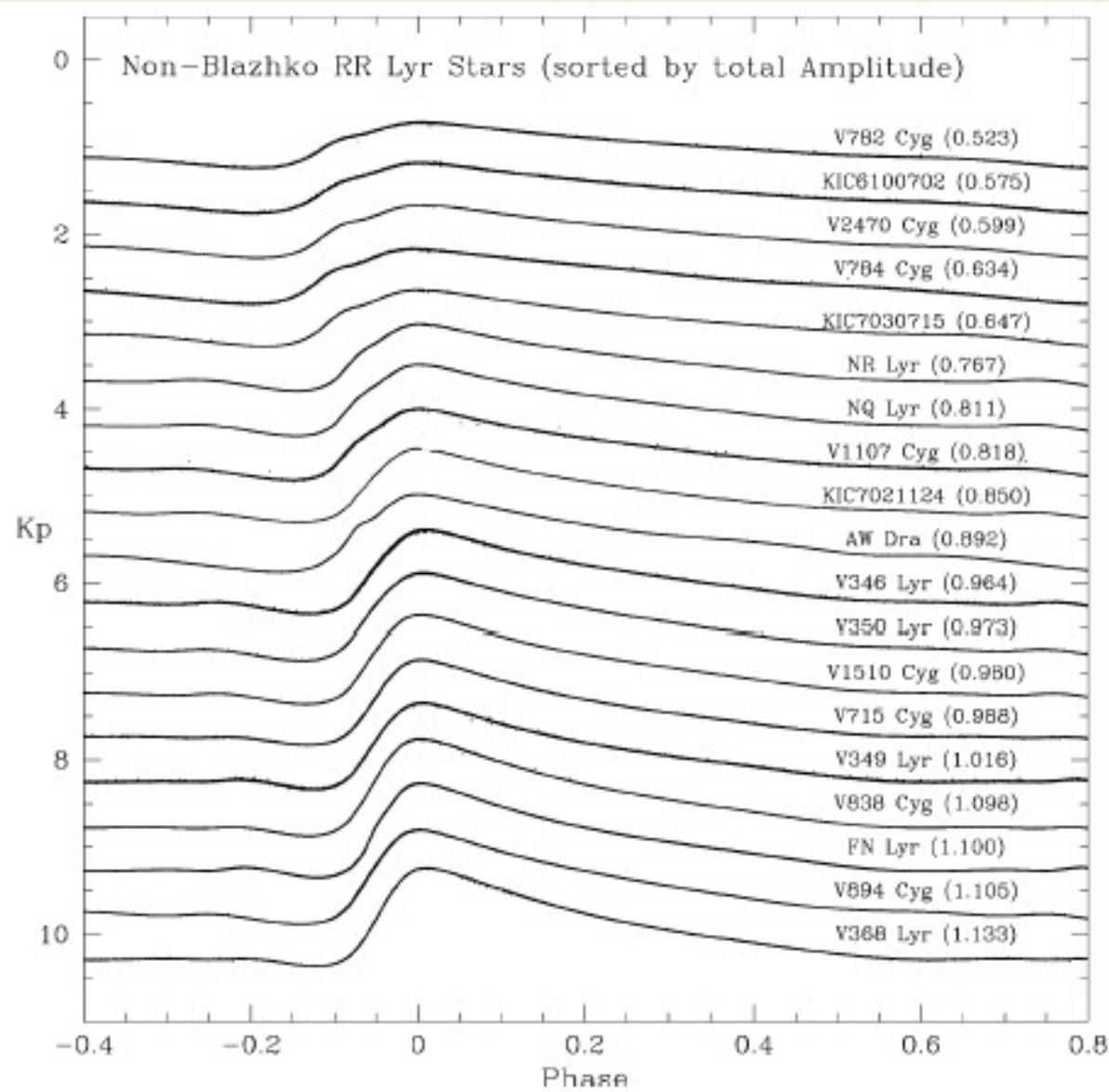
"continuous" light curves data is key success



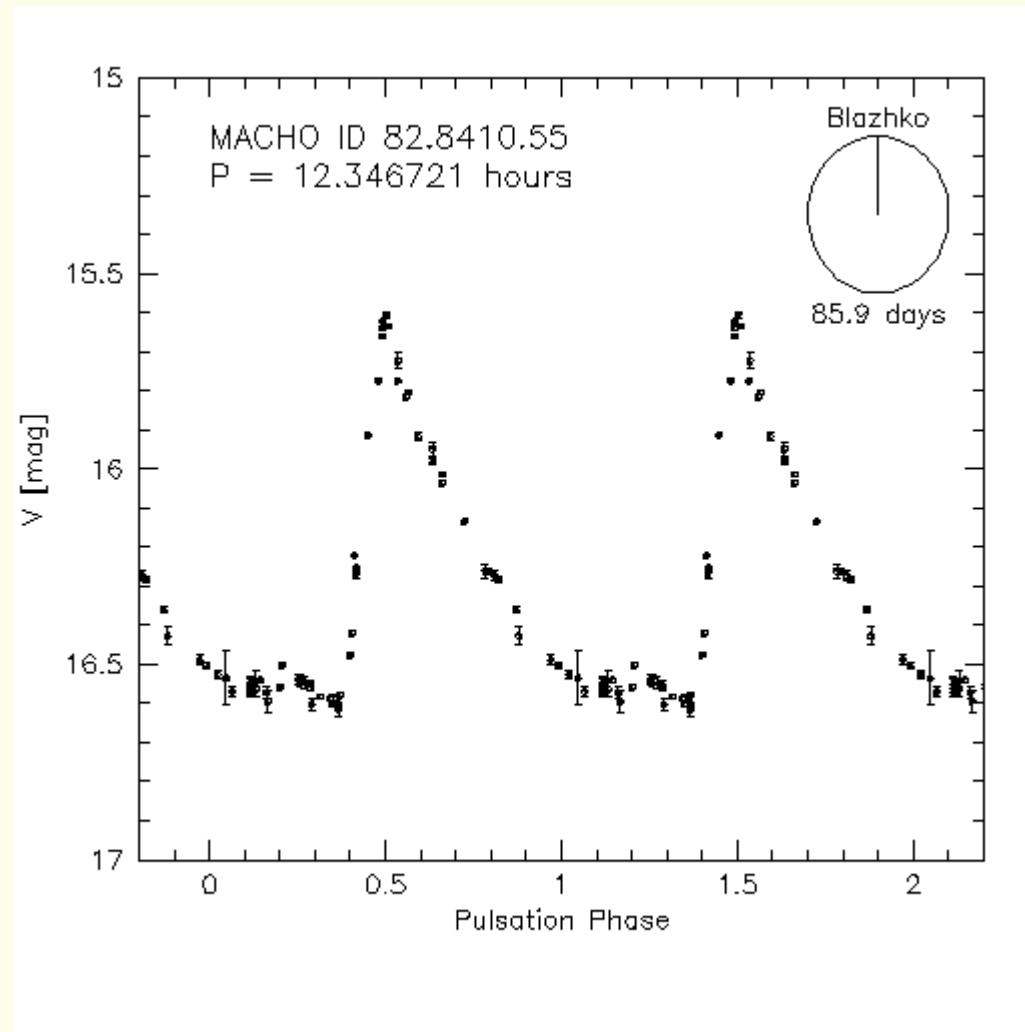
Not Just Transit: RR Lyrae



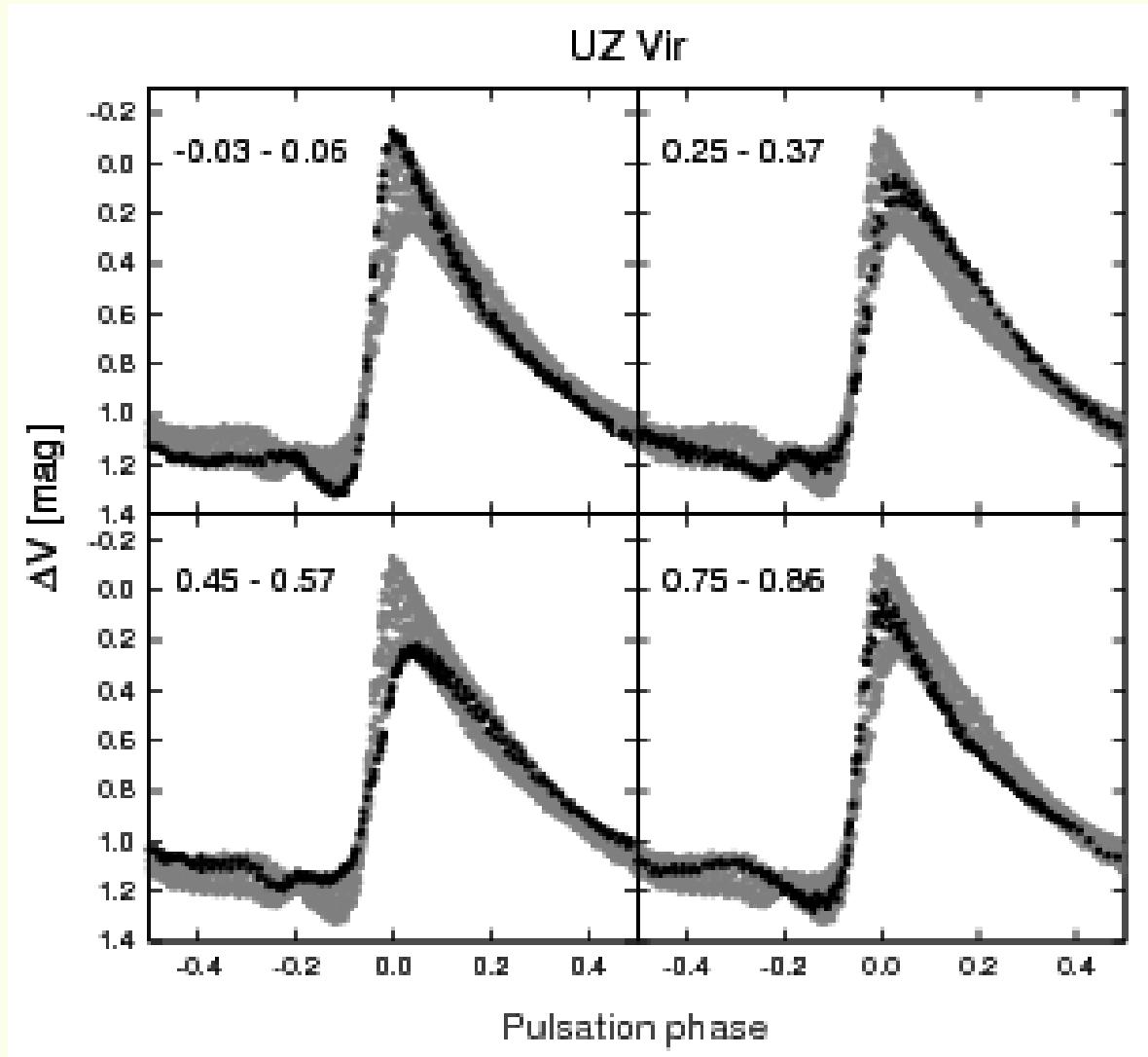
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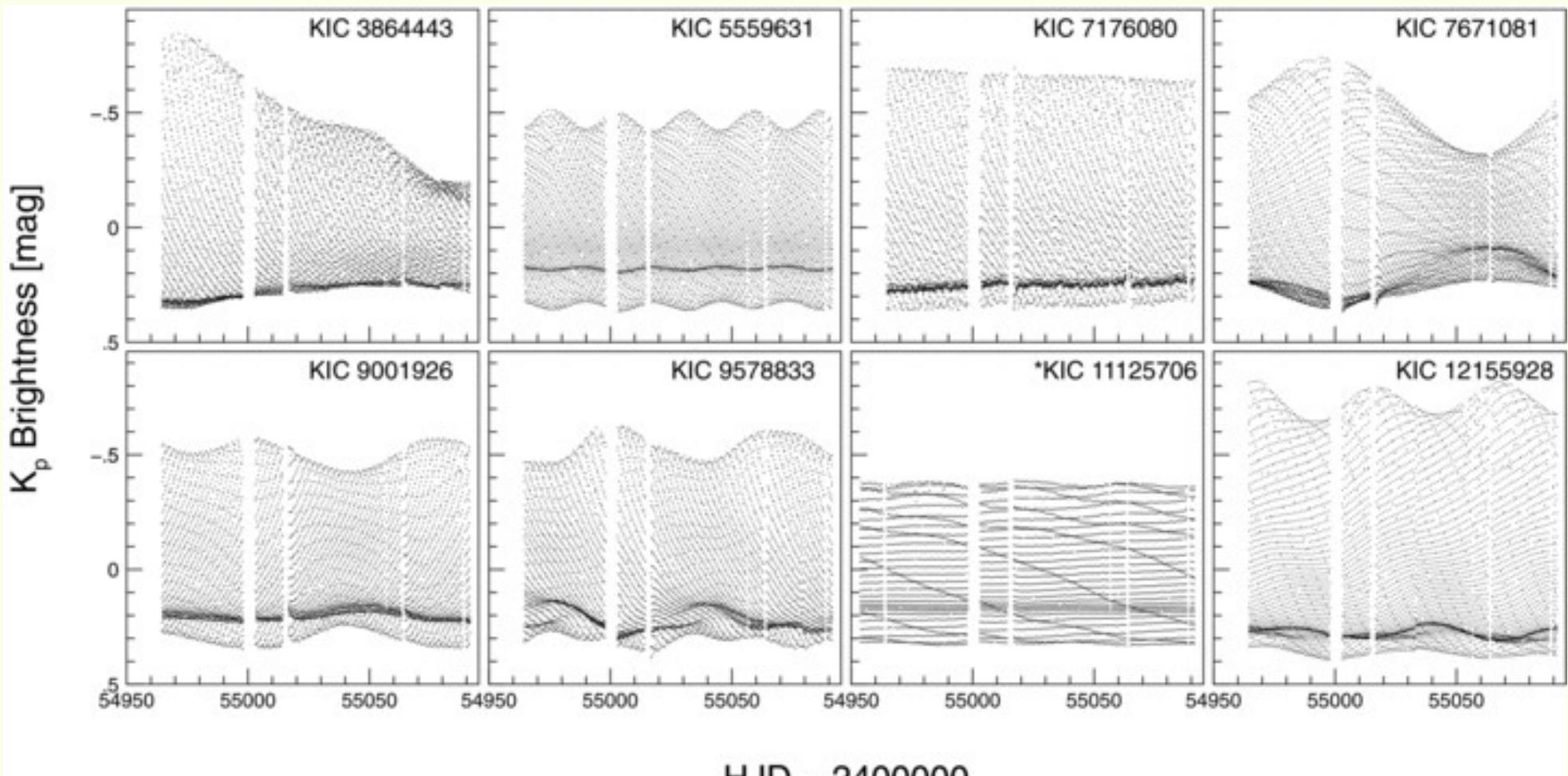
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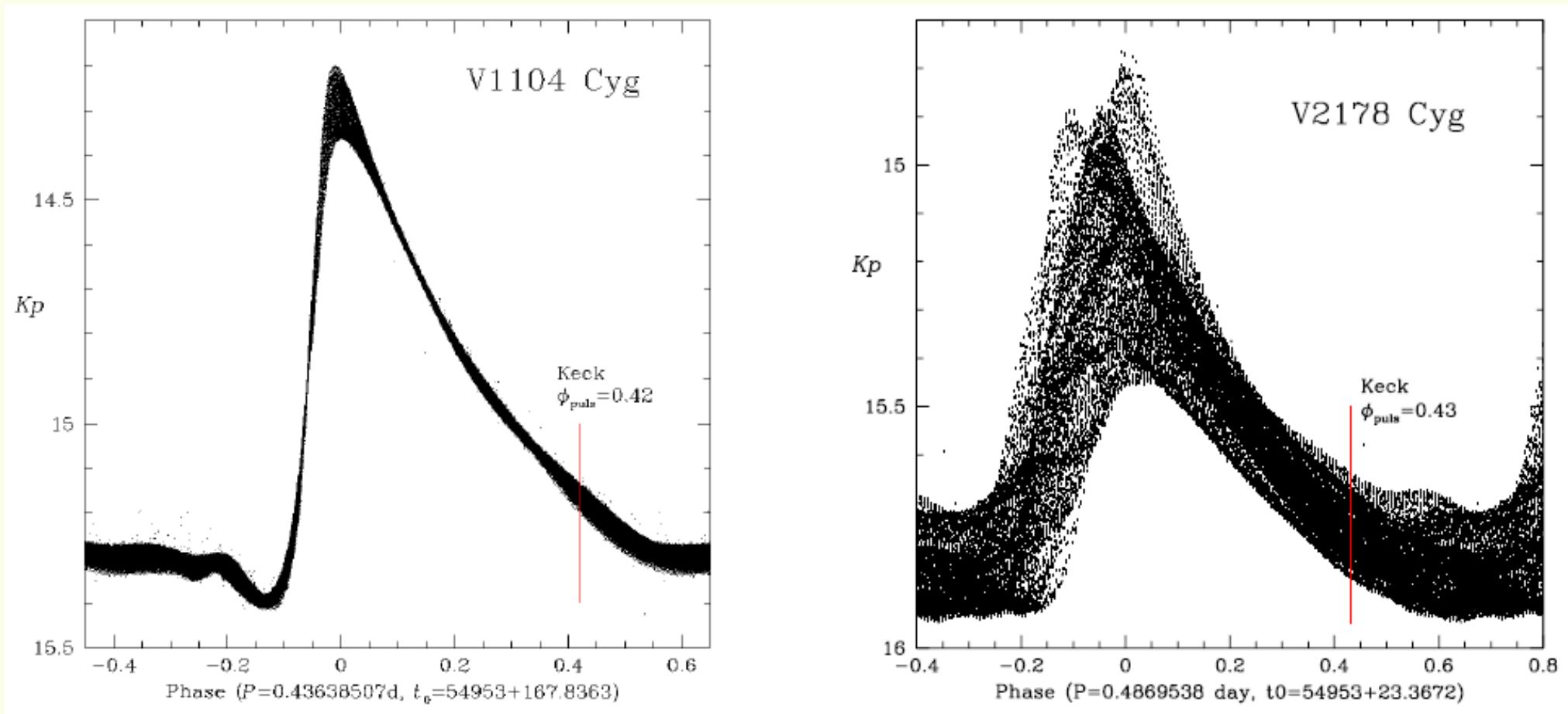


Not Just Transit: RR Lyrae with Blazhko Effect



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Not Just Transit: RR Lyrae with Blazhko Effect



RR Lyrae's [Fe/H]-Light Curve Relation

- RR Lyrae: Old population II periodic ($P \sim 0.3$ to ~ 0.8 days) pulsating variables located in horizontal branch (HR diagram)
 - Constant absolute V-band magnitude \rightarrow standard candle
- $M_V = a[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] + b$
- Measuring metallicity [Fe/H]:
 - Spectroscopy: expensive
 - Photometric: from LC shape

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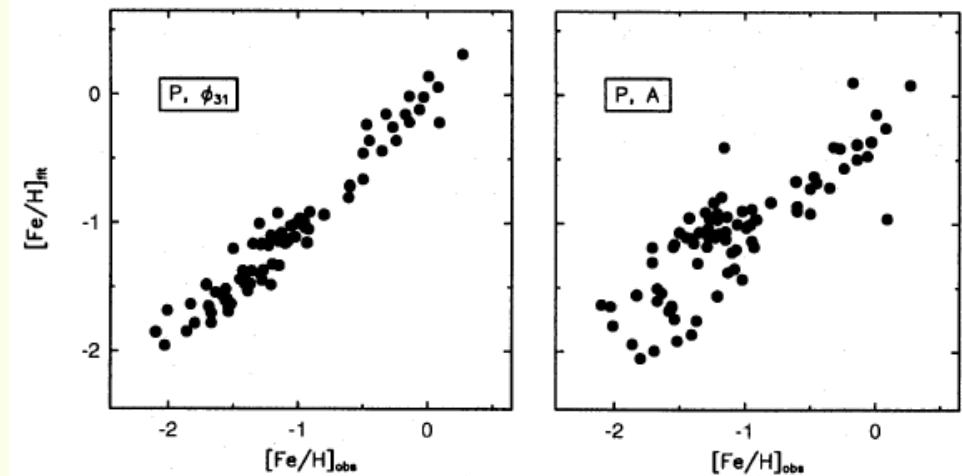
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Determination of [Fe/H] from the light curves of RR Lyrae stars*

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$$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = -5.038 - 5.394P + 1.345\varphi_{31} .$$

Science Case with PTF Public Data: [Fe/H]-LC Relation for RR Lyrae in Kepler Field

- JC relation only valid in V-band, yet PTF observed in R-band
- RR Lyrae in Kepler fields have both spectroscopic [Fe/H] and PTF light curves data from public release of DR1

Table 7
Spectroscopic Iron-to-Hydrogen Abundances (VWA) for the *Kepler*-field RR Lyrae Stars

Star (1)	Obs. (2)	ϕ_{puls} (3)	S/N (4)	FWHM (5)	$T_{\text{eff}} / \log g / \xi_t$ (6)	[Fe/H] _{spec}		
						Fe I Lines (7)	Fe II Lines (8)	Adopted (9)
(a) 17 Non-Blazhko RRab-type stars								
NR Lyr	CFHT	0.29	37	0.163 (02)	6500/2.6/2.5	-2.54 ± 0.13 (6)	-2.53 ± 0.17 (5)	-2.54 ± 0.11
FN Lyr	CFHT	0.28	32	0.209 (19)	6300/2.44/2.5	-2.00 ± 0.13 (10)	-1.97 ± 0.12 (12)	-1.98 ± 0.09
NQ Lyr	CFHT	0.32	30	0.197 (15)	6000/1.80/2.5	-1.88 ± 0.19 (11)	-1.90 ± 0.10 (3)	-1.89 ± 0.10
V350 Lyr	Keck	0.53	34	0.293 (11)	6180/2.9/2.6	-1.84 ± 0.15 (12)	-1.81 ± 0.14 (10)	-1.83 ± 0.12
V894 Cyg	CFHT	0.39	28	0.193 (08)	6200/2.46/2.0	-1.65 ± 0.18 (11)	-1.66 ± 0.16 (9)	-1.66 ± 0.12
AW Dra	CFHT	0.30	38	0.202 (05)	6540/2.40/2.5	-1.33 ± 0.13 (9)	-1.33 ± 0.12 (6)	-1.33 ± 0.09
KIC 7030715	CFHT	0.26	19	0.26 (04)	6500/2.64/2.5	-1.32 ± 0.07 (6)	-1.34 ± 0.15 (3)	-1.33 ± 0.08
V1107 Cyg	Keck	0.48	21	0.220 (17)	6300/2.8/3.0	-1.23 ± 0.42 (33)	-1.31 ± 0.18 (11)	-1.29 ± 0.23
V368 Lyr	Keck	0.43	20	0.183 (02)	6300/2.8/3.0	-1.33 ± 0.31 (22)	-1.25 ± 0.24 (10)	-1.28 ± 0.20
KIC 9658012	Keck	0.84	37	0.413 (16)	6500/2.8/3.0	-1.22 ± 0.26 (26)	-1.31 ± 0.12 (11)	-1.28 ± 0.14
KIC 9717032	Keck	0.23	19	0.262 (06)	6620/2.8/3.5	-1.27 ± 0.17 (14)	-1.26 ± 0.17 (13)	-1.27 ± 0.15
V715 Cyg	Keck	0.51	21	0.241 (13)	6400/3.0/3.0	-1.13 ± 0.12 (25)	-1.14 ± 0.14 (12)	-1.13 ± 0.09

Science Case with PTF Public Data: [Fe/H]-LC Relation for RR Lyrae in Kepler Field

- Using 16 non-blazhko ab-type RR Lyrae stars in Kepler fields
- PTF's DR1 light curves data fitted with Fourier expansion

$$m(t) = m_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sin\left(\frac{2i\pi t}{P} + \phi_i\right)$$

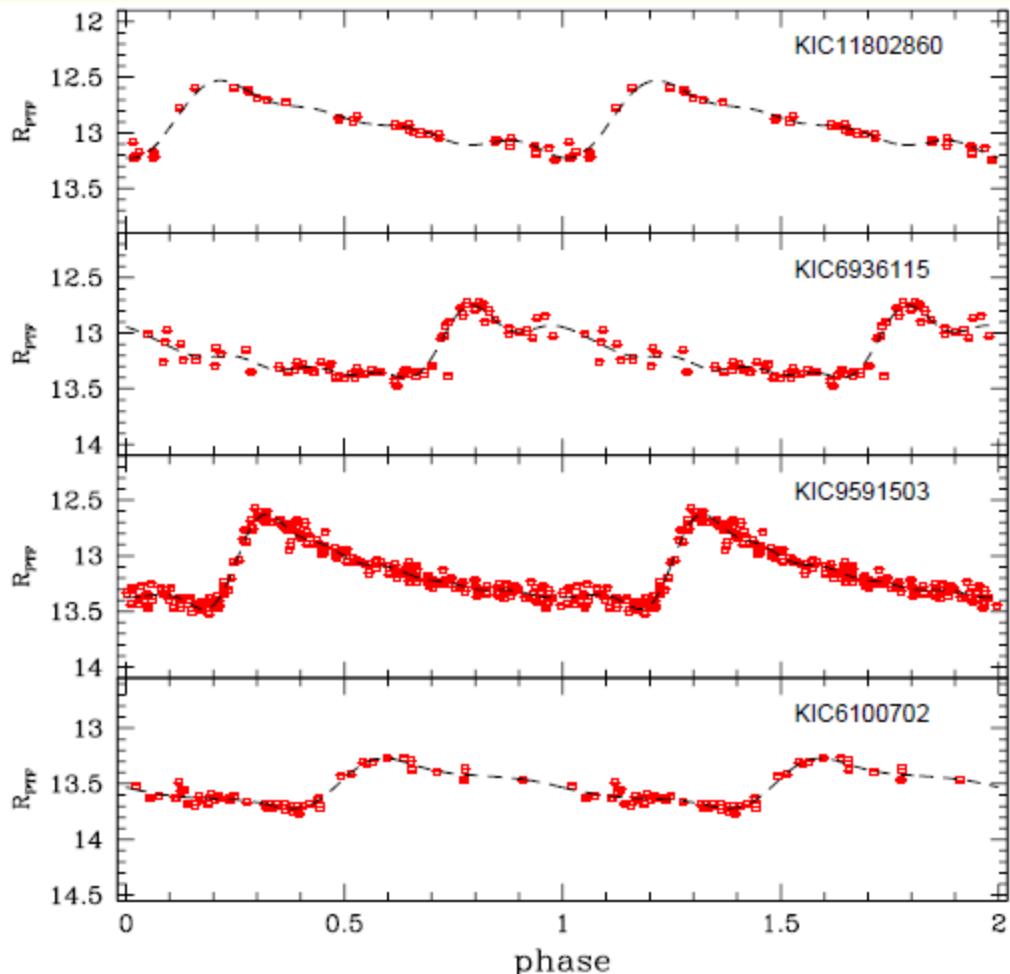
$$R_{ij} = \frac{A_i}{A_j}; \quad \phi_{ij} = \phi_i - i\phi_j.$$

- Found that need to split to two groups:
 - Group A: 8 RR-ab brighter than ~ 14 mag
 - Group B: 8 RR-ab fainter than ~ 14 mag

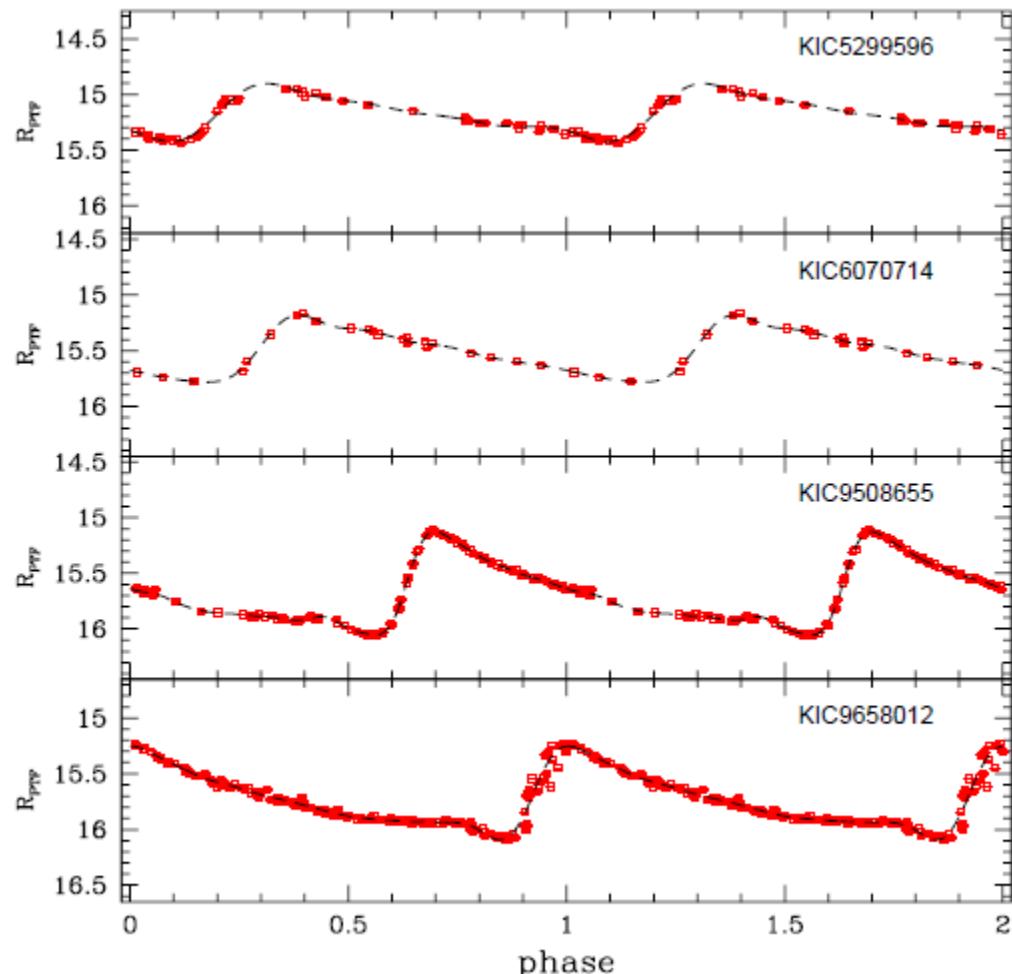
where ~ 14 mag is the saturation limit in PTF data

Science Case with PTF Public Data: [Fe/H]-LC Relation for RR Lyrae in Kepler Field

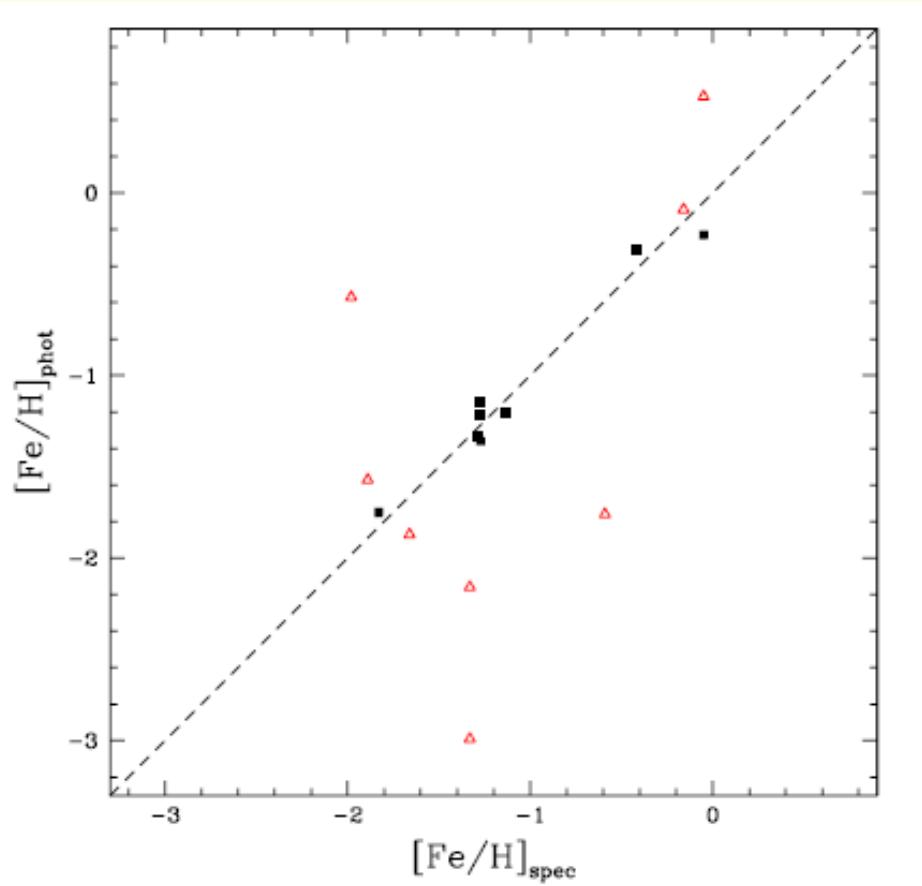
Group A example LCs



Group B example LCs



Science Case with PTF Public Data: [Fe/H]-LC Relation for RR Lyrae in Kepler Field



- Using RR-ab in Group B (and one RR-ab in Group A with acceptable LC), the [Fe/H]-LC relation in PTF R-band is found to be:

$$[Fe/H] = -3.261 - 8.274P + 1.219\phi_{31}.$$

Conclusion

PTF yesterday

The Palomar Transient Factory
(2009-2012)

General synoptic transient survey

iPTF today

Intermediate Palomar Transient Factory
(2013-2016)

Focused mini-surveys



101+ papers, 3283+ citations

ZTF tomorrow

The Zwicky Transient Facility
(2017-2020)

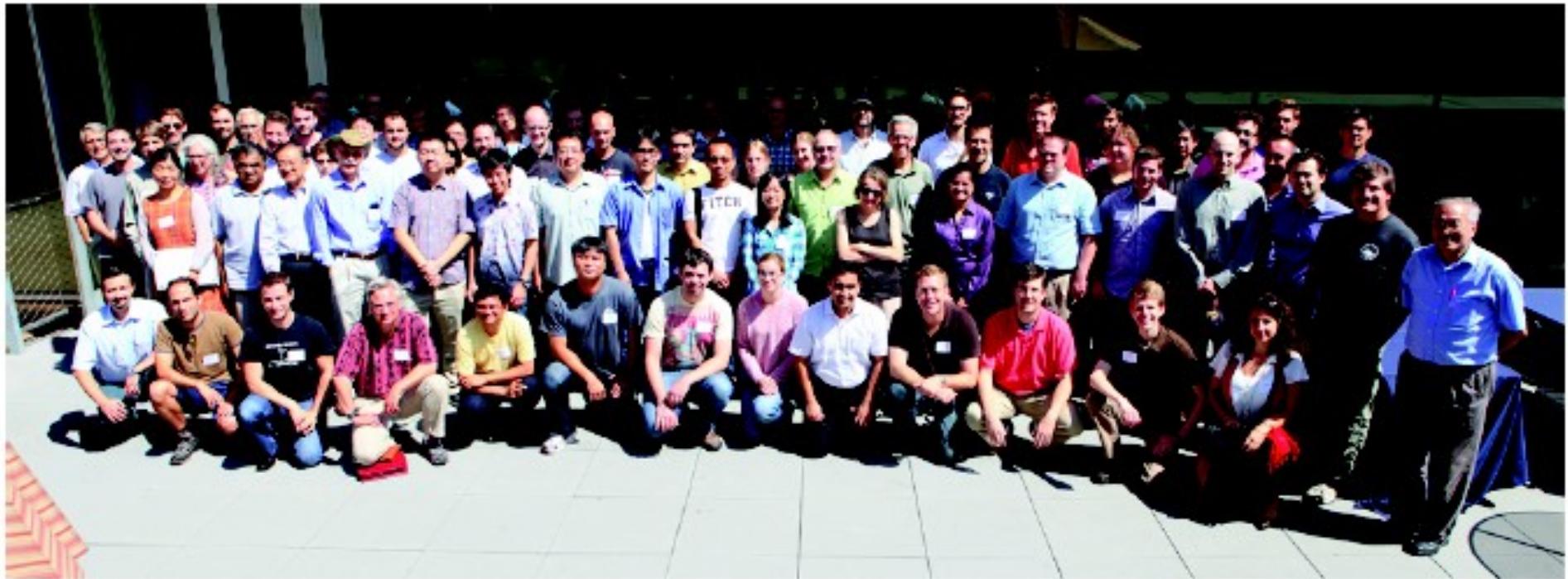
High-cadence, wide-area survey

new 47 deg²
camera



- Kepler main goal: exo-planet using transit method
- Continuous light curves good for variable stars

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