Observing Atmospheres (and Surfaces) of Exoplanets

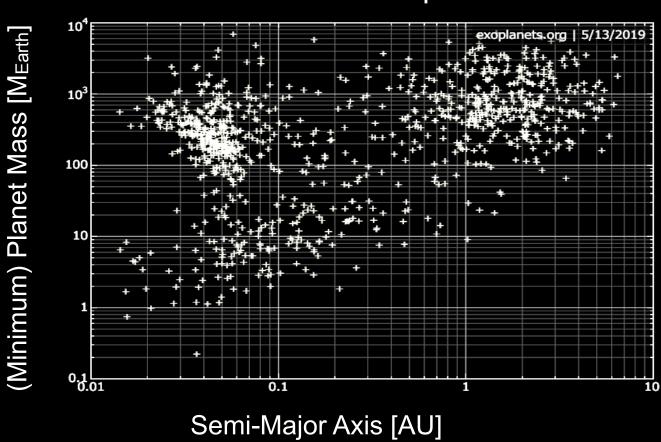
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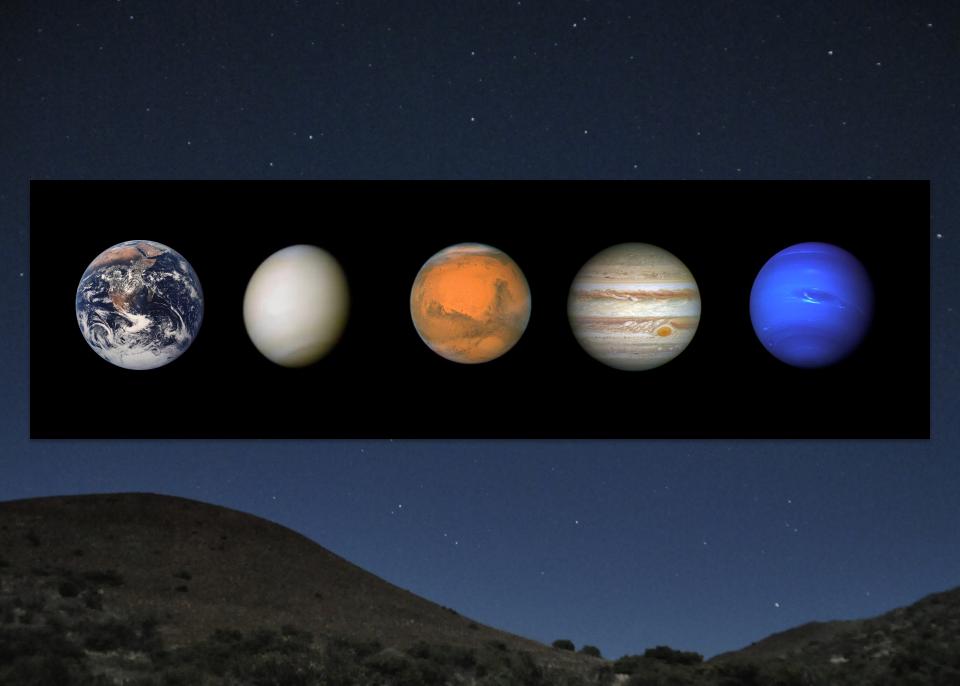
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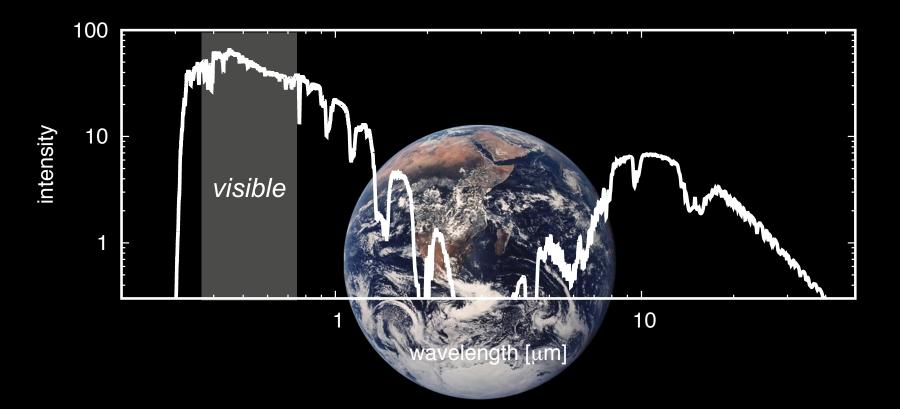


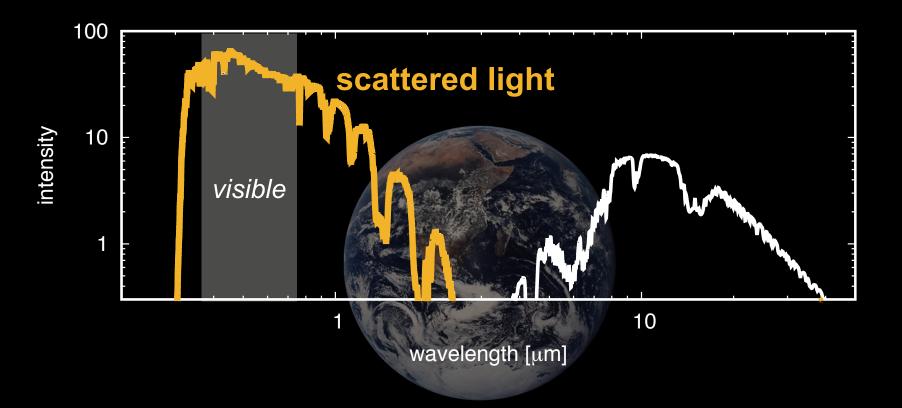
Exoplanet Discovery usually come with Size (mass and/or radius) and Orbit

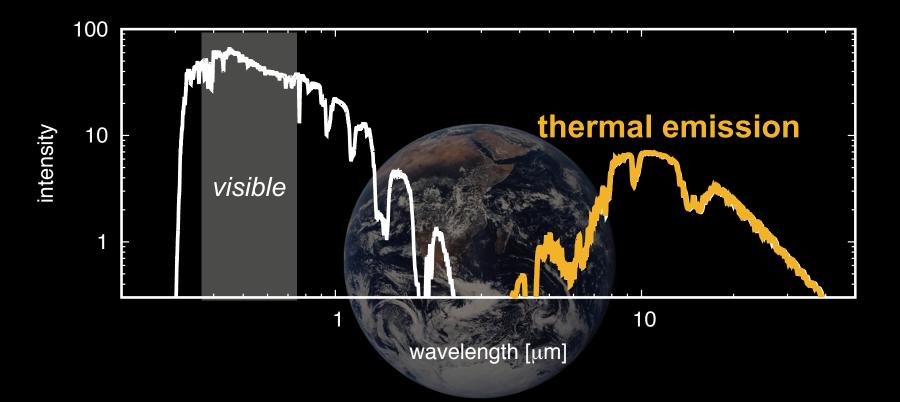
Discovered Exoplanets

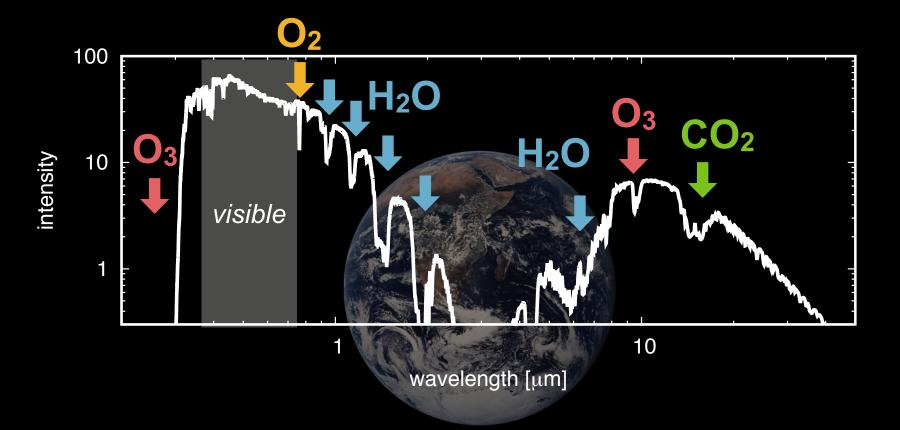


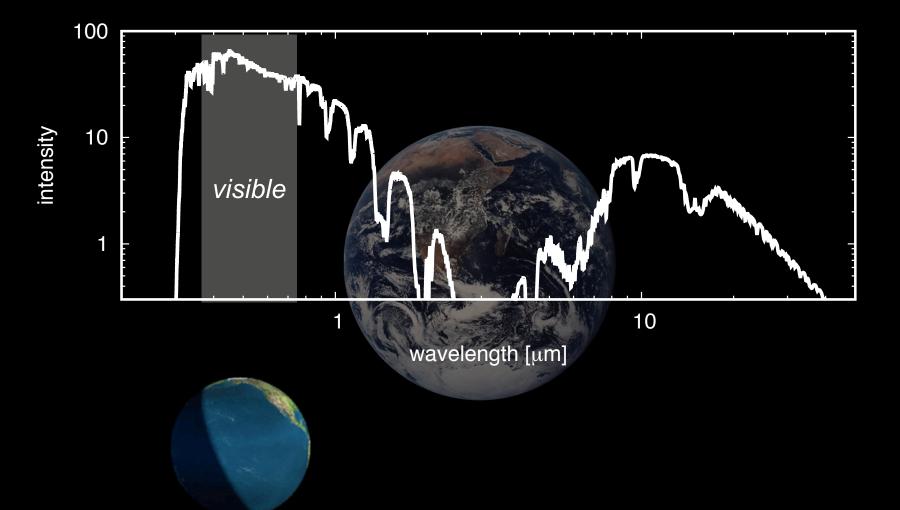






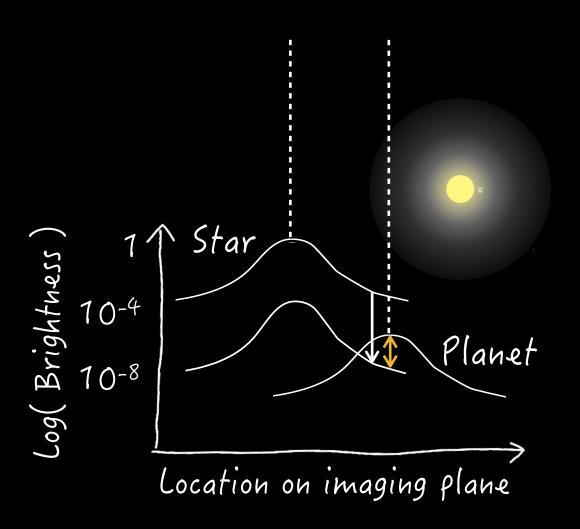


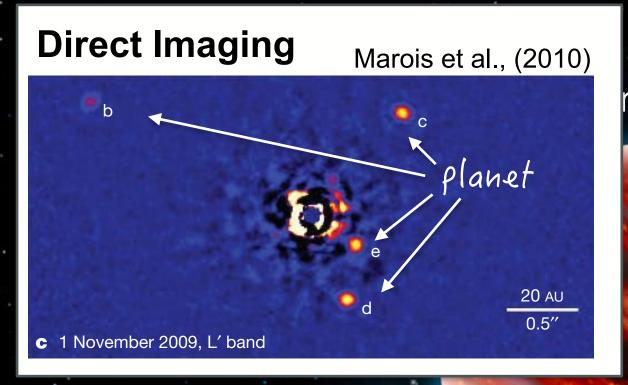






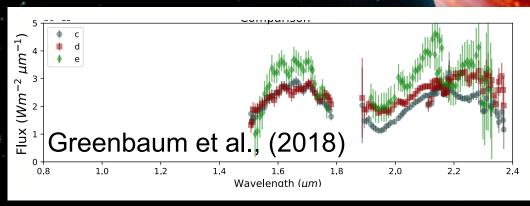
Direct Imaging



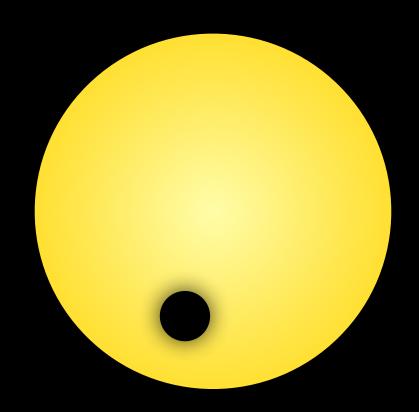


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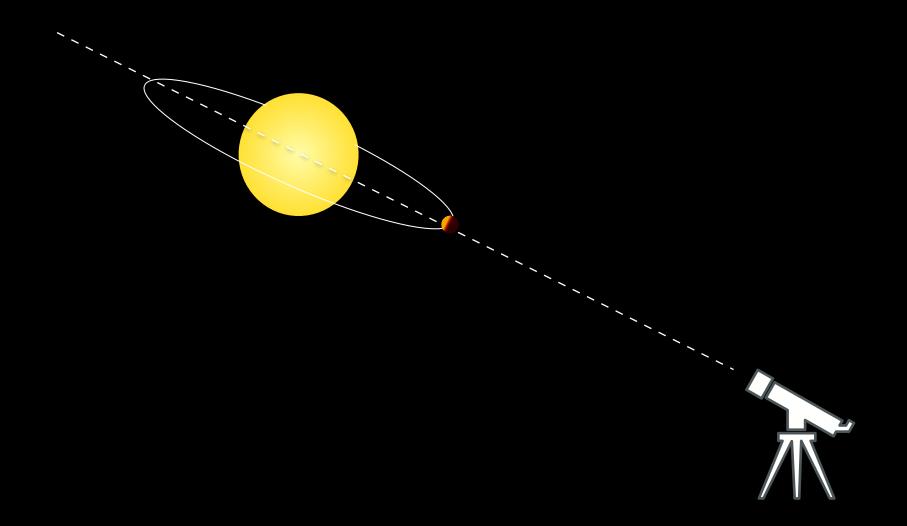
↓ Spectra of planets c, d, e



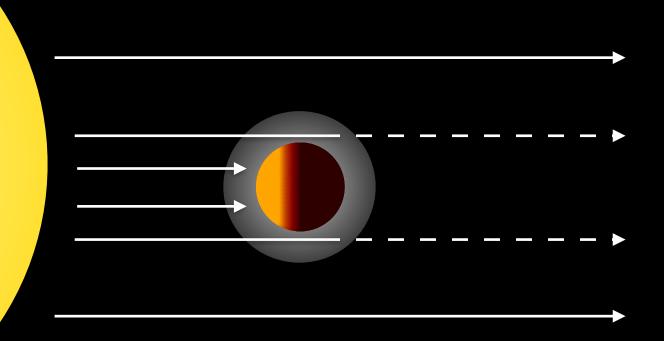
Transiting Planets



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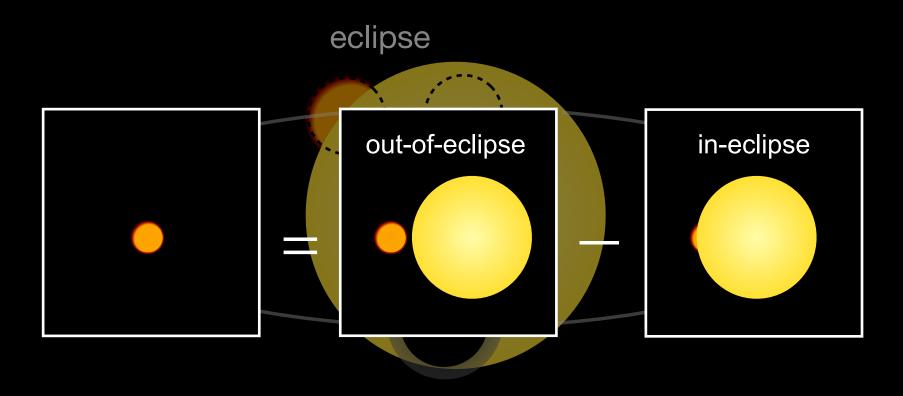


Transmission Spectroscopy

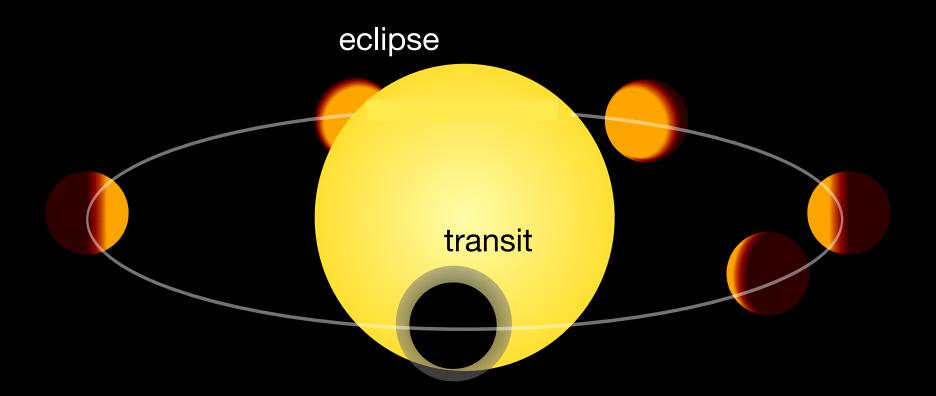


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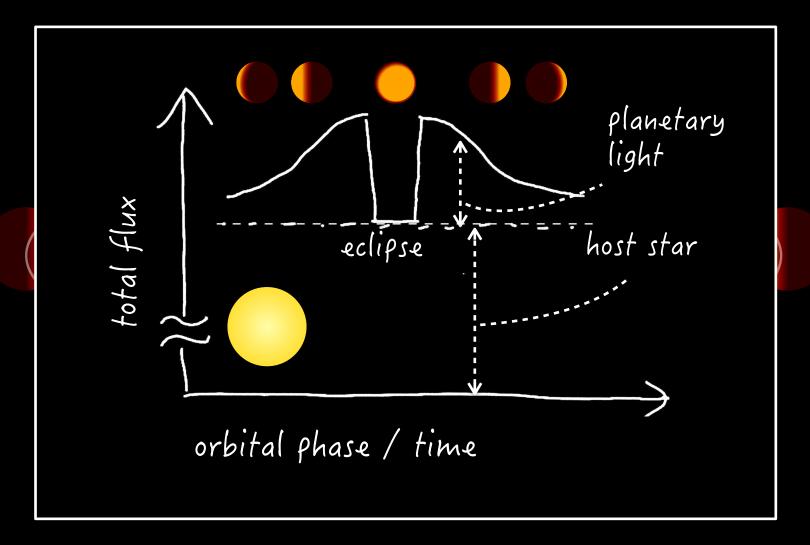
(Secondary) Eclipse

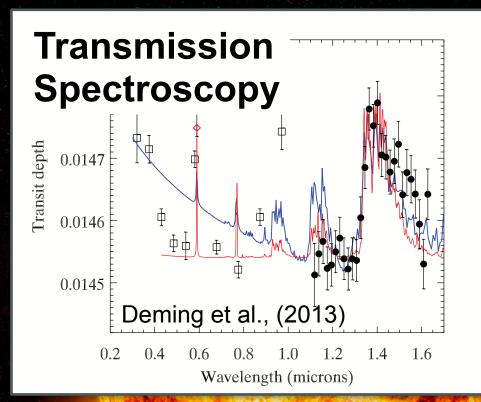


Phase Variation



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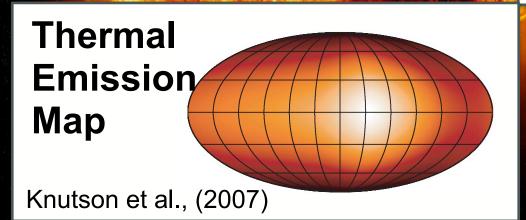
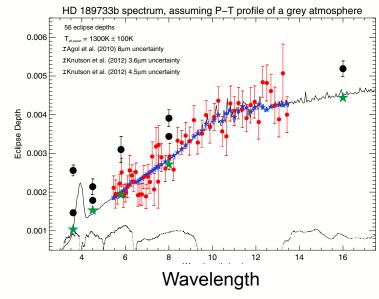


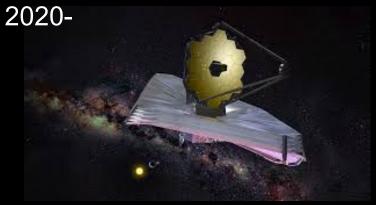
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Eclipse Spectroscopy



Todorov et al., (2014)

James Webb Space Telescope

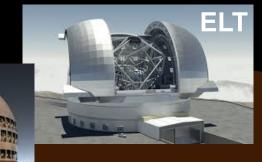


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Summary

- Key observations to characterize atmospheres (and surfaces) of exoplanets
 - Direct Imaging
 - Transmission spectroscopy
 - Secondary eclipse
 - Phase curves



Using these techniques, how would you find life on an Earth-twin?

Suggested Reading

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