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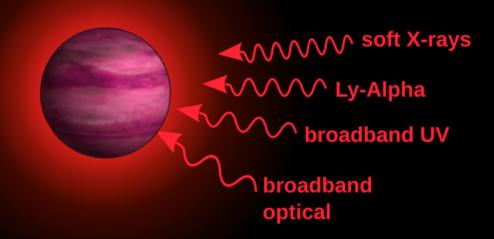


TEAM

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Christopher S. Moore	SAO	Camera Lead
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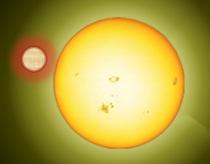


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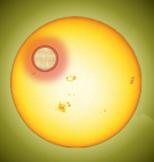


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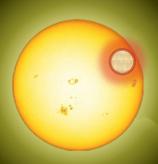


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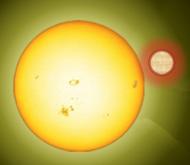


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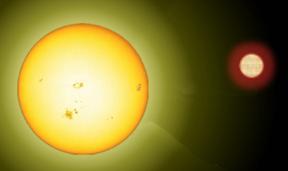


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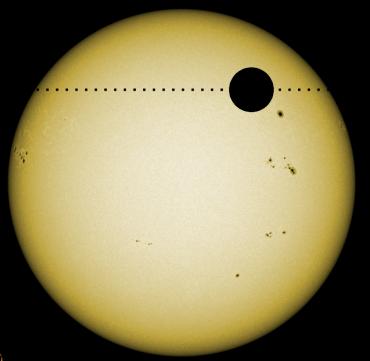


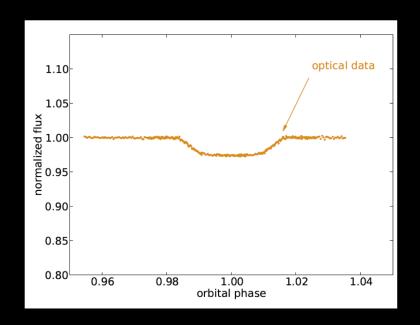
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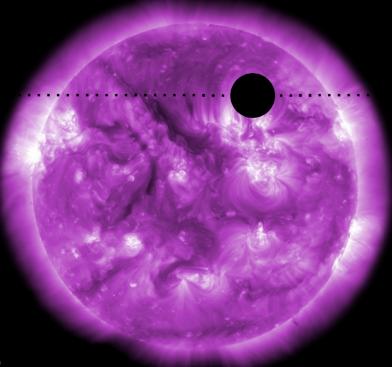


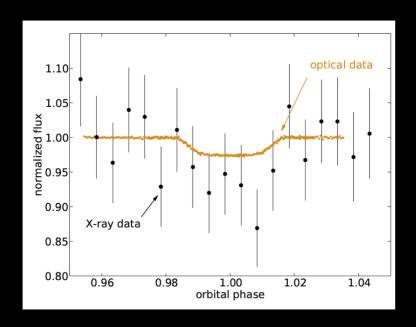




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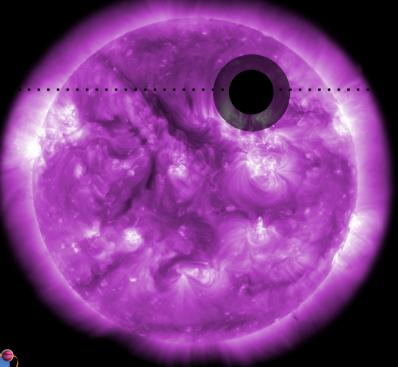


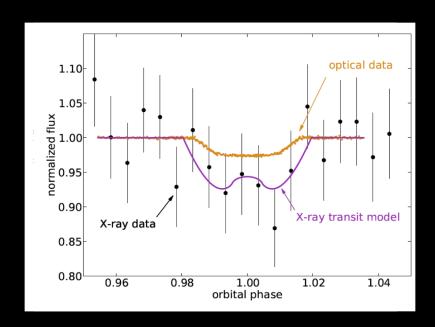




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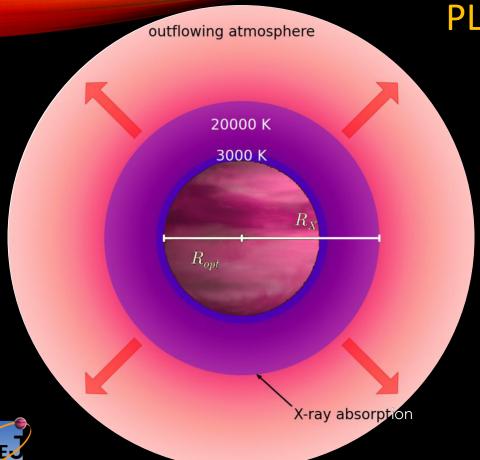
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PLANETARY ATMOSPHERE: TOY MODEL

 $H=kT/\mu_mg$

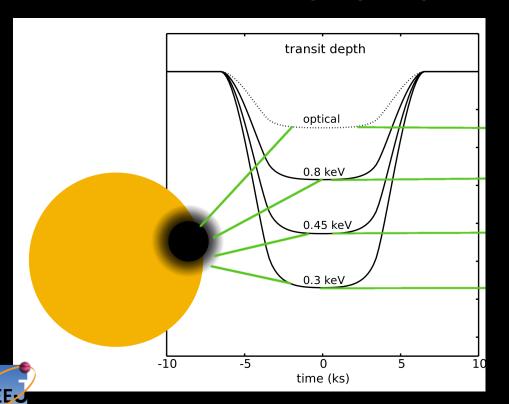
△D~20HR_{PI}/R_{*}

Miller-Ricci & Fortney (2010)

To be X-ray opaque at $1.75R_{Pl}$: Density > 10^{11} cm⁻³

high-altitude temperature: ~ 20,000K

ENERGY SENSITIVITY AND RESOLUTION

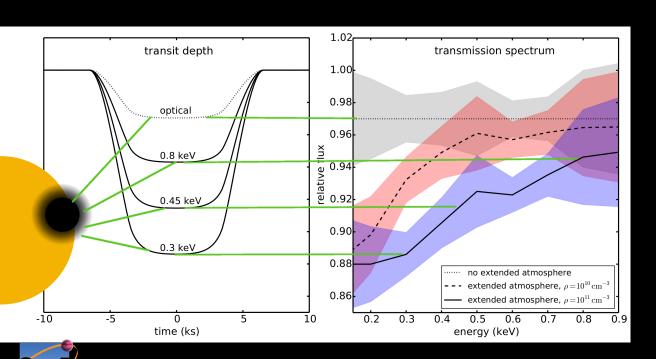


Hard X-rays (>2 keV) are highly penetrating and absorbed deep in the atmosphere, similar to optical photons.

In the soft X-ray regime, absorption is a strong function of energy.

The same transit can appear twice as deep at 300 eV as at 800 eV.

ENERGY SENSITIVITY AND RESOLUTION



The differential absorption can become even more pronounce if soft X-ray absorbing metals such as Oxygen, Nitrogen or Carbon are over-abundant in the atmosphere.

For example a 10x enhancement in Oxygen would double the eclipse depth at 580 eV.

OBJECTIVE: MEASURE EXOPLANETS' EXOSPHEREIC STRUCTURE

- X-ray bright candidates will be selected from TESS, eRosita and ROSAT.
- Observables: the depth, width and shape of the transit.
- In a year we can obtain ~ 50 transits of ~7 exoplanets.
- Measure Physical Parameters:
 - ΔD which leads to
 - Scale Height H which leads to
 - Exospheric temperature T
 - At Exosphereic density n
 - Asymmetries due to atmospheric blow-off
- · The need for SEEJ
 - Transits are short and repetitive these kinds of observations are not well suited to multipurpose observatories.
 - Chandra/ACIS has very little low energy response.
 - XMM, SWIFT and XRISM are optimized for high energy.



X-ray Flare of HD 189733

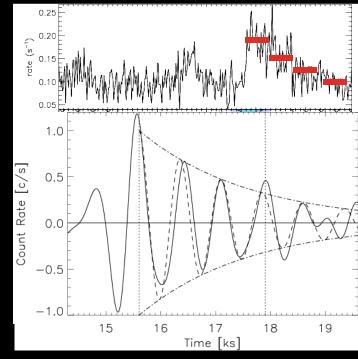
2D wavelet analysis of 2012 light curve Description: A damped magneto acoustic oscillation in the flaring loop.

 $\Delta I/I \sim 4\pi nk_BT/B^2$

T~ 12 MK n: density=5x10¹⁰ cm⁻³ (from RGS data)

B → 40-100 G

 $\begin{array}{l} \tau \sim \ L/c_s \\ c_s = \sim T^{0.5} \\ \tau = \ oscillation \ period \sim 4 \ ks \\ L = Const. \ X \ \tau_{osc} NT^{0.5} \\ L \sim 5 \ R_* \end{array}$





Pillitteri et al. (2014)

Implication of the wavelet analysis

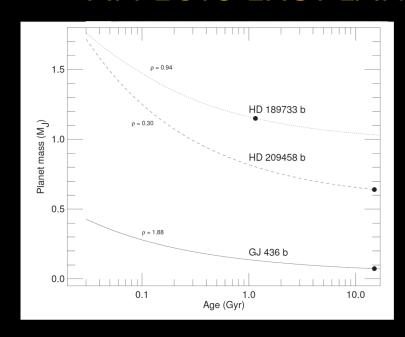


THE CORONAL EMISSION OF STARS AFFECTS EXOPLANETS.

$$\dot{M} = \frac{4\pi\beta^3 R_p F_{XUV}}{GKM_p}$$

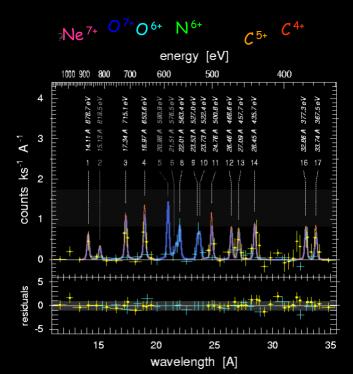
β Atmospheric inflationK: Roche lobe overflow

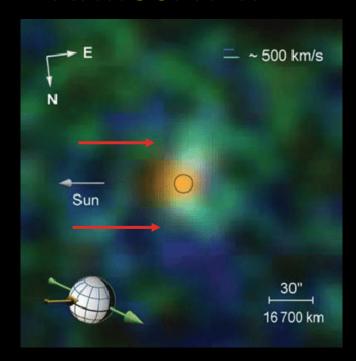
$$\dot{M} = \frac{3F_{XUV}}{G\rho}$$





MARS IS CURRENTLY LOSING ATMOSPHERE

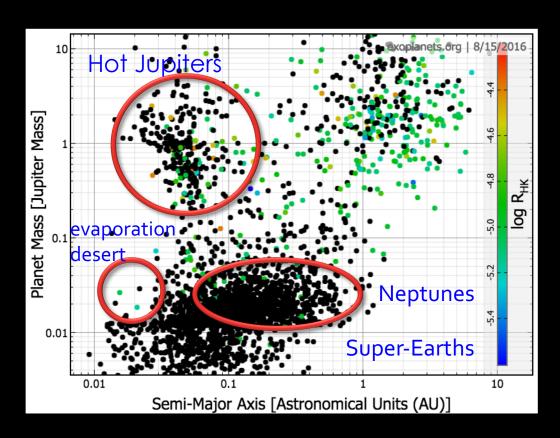






(Dennerl 2006)

THE EXOPLANET ZOO





OBJECTIVE: MEASURE ACTIVITY OF THE HOST STARS

- Observable: Flux, Temperature of the host stars.
- Physical measurement: ~1.6 Msec exposure of ~ 7 exoplanet systems outside of transit.
- Physical Parameters:
 - Quiescent Temperature of plasma
 - Fractional Time in quiescence
 - Flare Temperature of plasma
 - Fractional time in flare
 - Current average fluence of XUV flux
 - Current mass loss rate
 - Cumulative mass loss
 - The need for SEEJ
 - Stars are highly variable, the bulk of the affecting flux only comes during flares.
 - Even in active stars is takes mega seconds of combined data to obtain good measures of mean flare rates, temperatures and energies.
 - No such comprehensive studies have been carried out on main sequence stars which are in addition subject to stellar cycles of unknown duration.



SPACECRAFT

Star Tracker MiXO (1/2)Telescope Gyros/radio Battery Fuel Tank **CMOS** Thrusters CMOS control electronics (1) (1/4)

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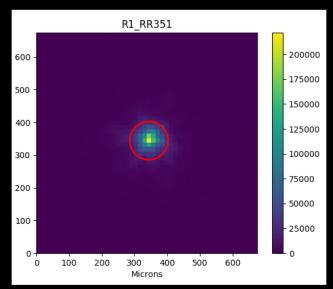
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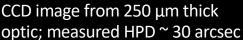
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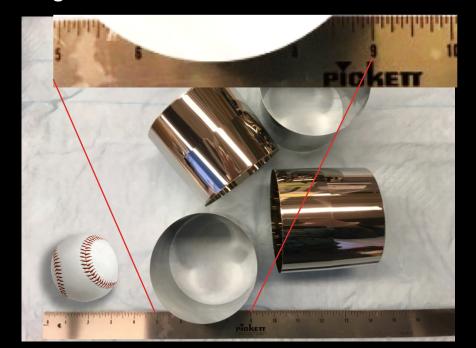
Mass 110 kg (dry)

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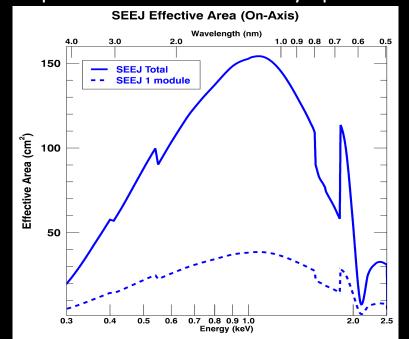




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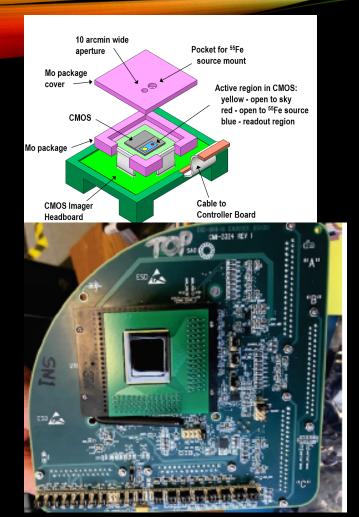
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CMOS

- CMOS are common in cameras and have flown on Parker Solar probe.
- Use of back-thinned CMOS devices for soft X-ray science is new.
- CMOS can be read out very quickly.
 - > 100 Hz
 - Can look at bright optical sources while maintaining sensitivity to soft Xrays.
- CMOS can also operate at high temperature (-20 C) relative to CCDs without significant noise. This lowers thermal requirements.

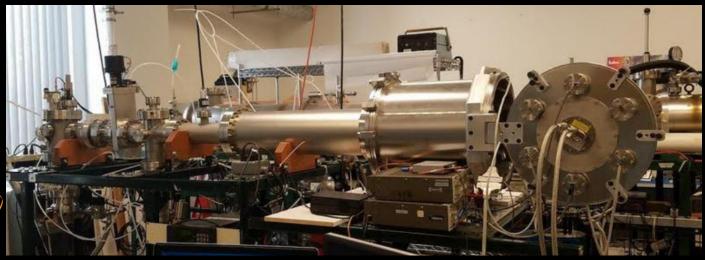




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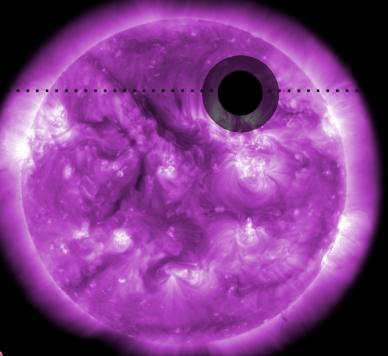
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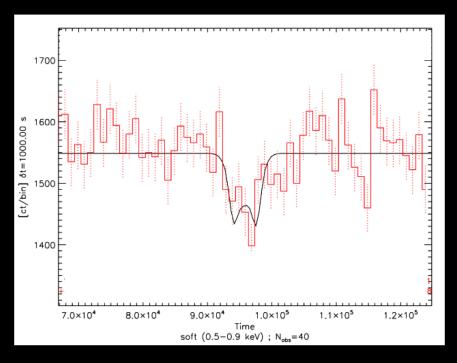
• SAO X-Ray Test Facility.





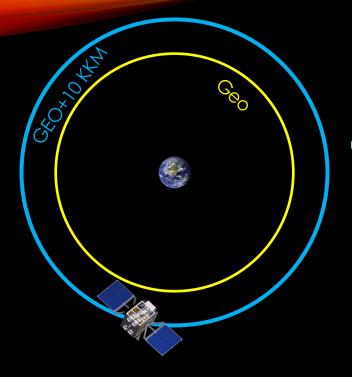
SEEJ Transit







SEEJ Simulation: 40 Transits



OPS CONCEPT

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GEO+10K orbit (~32hrs) provides nearly uninterrupted visibility while maximizing flight opportunities and limiting radiation.

Slew Time – 1 hr

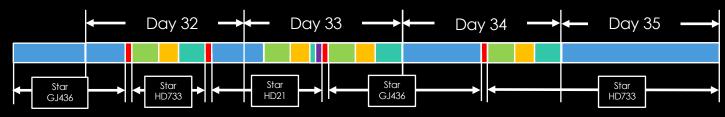
Pre-Transit Baseline Viewing – 4 hr

Transit Viewing – 3 hr

Post-Transit Baseline Viewing– 4 hr

Extended Viewing Time (as needed)





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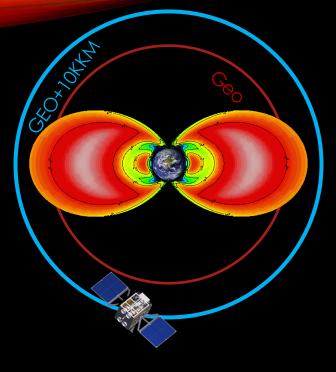
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COST AND SCHEDULE

WBS #	WBS Element		Total	
Ō	SEEJ	\$	27.81	
1.0	Project Management	\$	1.08	
2.0	Systems Engineering	\$	0.71	
3.0	Safety and Mission Assurance	\$	0.71	
4.0	Science/Technology	\$	1.10	
5.0	Payload	\$	9.77	
6.0	Flight System \ Spacecraft	\$	12.40	
7.0	Mission Operations System (MOS)	\$	1.01	
8.0	Launch Vehicle/Services	\$	-	
9.0	Ground Data System (GDS)	\$	-	
10.0	System Integration, Assembly, Test & Check Out	\$	1.04	
11.0	Education & Public Outreach	\$	-	

- Both parametric and notional bottom-up cost analysis were done.
- SEEJ can be done on time and on budget for the next SALMON call.







