

# THE MiNDSTEp TRANSIT PROJECT: current status

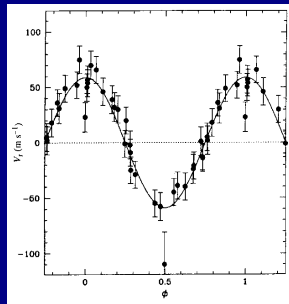
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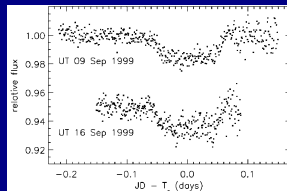
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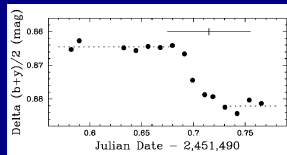
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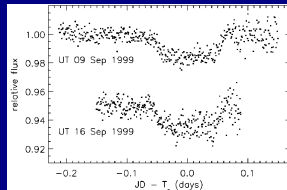
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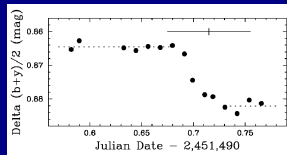
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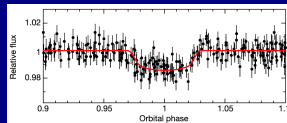
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- 2002: First planet discovered by its transits:  
OGLE-TR-56
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- Current census:  $\sim 700$



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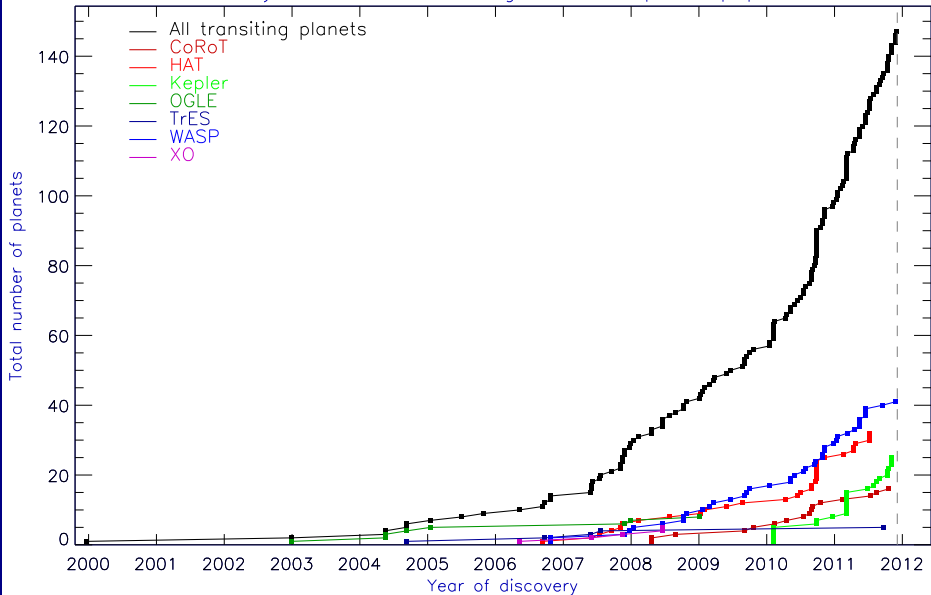
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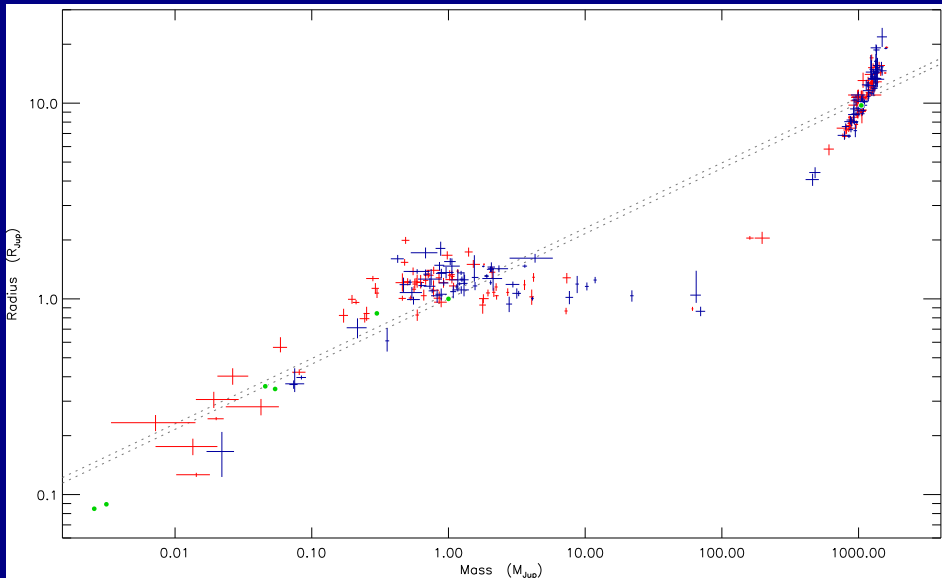
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  - *Kepler*: 30 published + 1200 candidates



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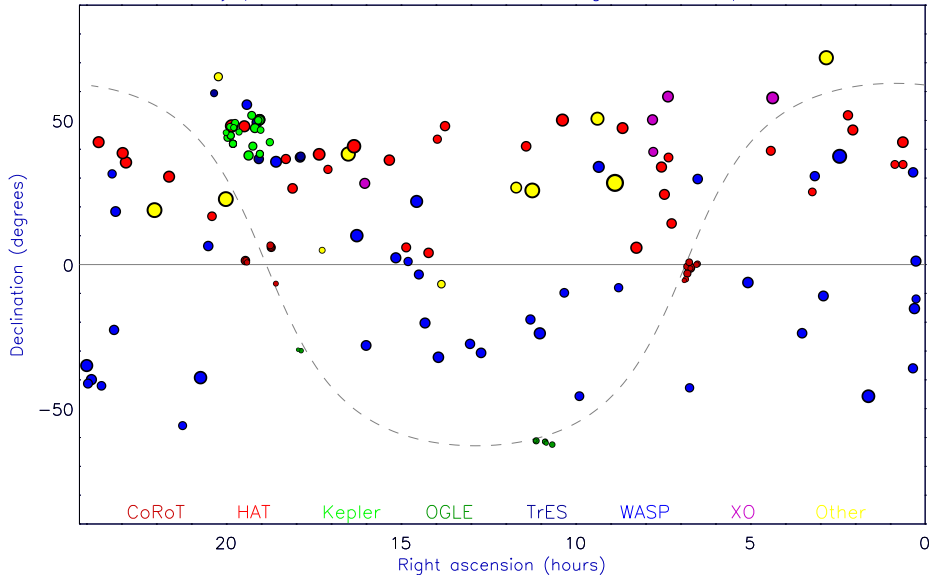
# Discovery rate of the transiting extrasolar planet population





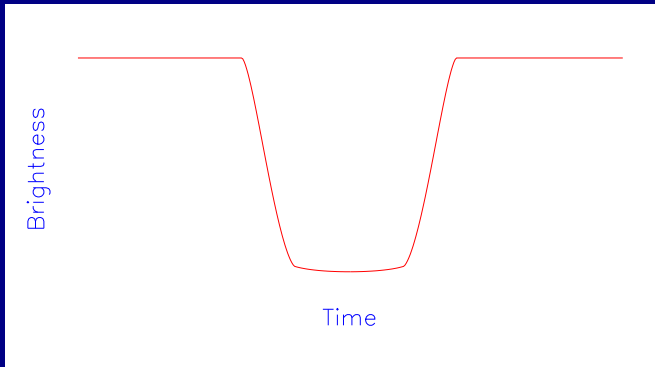
Mass versus radius – planets on the left, host stars on the right

# Sky positions of the known transiting extrasolar planets



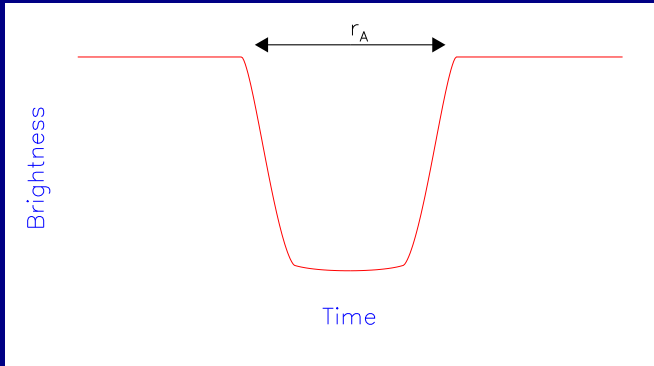
The symbol size is larger for the brighter systems (roughly proportional to the apparent V magnitude)

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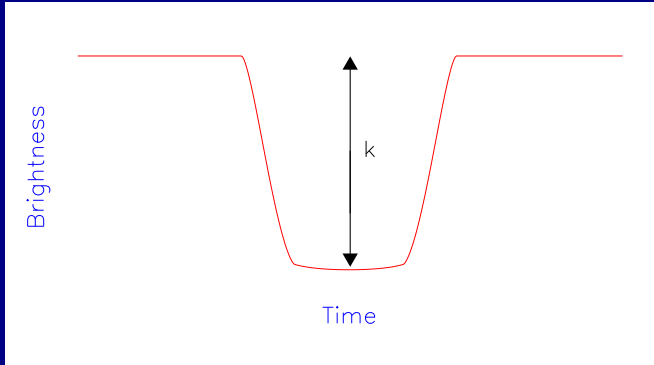
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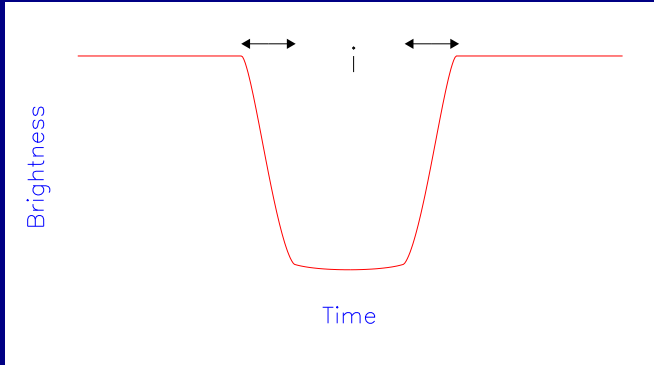
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- Southworth (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011)
- TEPcat: <http://www.astro.keele.ac.uk/~jkt/tepcat/>

# TEPCat

## TEPCat: Physical properties of transiting planets without errorbars

This table contains a summary of the physical properties for all known transiting extrasolar planetary systems. I include those systems for which a detailed study has been published in a refereed journal or on the arXiv preprint server. Most systems have been studied multiple times, so for these I select what I consider to be the best measurements. By necessity the results for many of the planetary systems have been assembled from multiple papers, so are not guaranteed to be internally consistent. I give a reference to the discovery paper and the paper from which most of the results were taken for each system.

A full table with errorbars included can be found [here](#) or by clicking on the table below (except for Firefox or IE).  
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System	Stellar properties						Planetary properties								Discovery reference	Main refer
	Teff (K)	[Fe/H] (dex)	Mass (Msun)	Radius (Rsun)	log(g) (cgs)	Density (psun)	Orbital period	Eccentricity	Semimjr axis (AU)	Mass (Mjup)	Radius (Rjup)	Gravity (m/s2)	Density (pjup)	Equil temp		
55-Cnc-e	5234	+0.31	0.94	0.95	4.43		0.737	0.057	0.01564	0.0251	0.190		3.4		arXiv:1105.0415	arXiv
CoRoT-1	5950	-0.30	0.95	1.131	4.311	0.660	1.509	0.0	0.02536	1.03	1.551	10.65	0.259	1915	2008A+A...482L..17B	arXiv
CoRoT-2	5696	+0.03	1.018	0.907	4.530	1.362	1.743	0.0143	0.02854	3.62	1.470	41.5	1.066	1548	2008A+A...482L..21A	arXiv
CoRoT-3	6740	-0.02	1.403	1.575	4.191	0.359	4.257	0.0	0.05783	21.96	1.037	506	18.4	1695	2008A+A...491..889D	arXiv
CoRoT-4	6190	+0.05	1.194	1.148	4.396	0.790	9.202	0.0	0.09120	0.731	1.160	13.5	0.438	1058	2008A+A...488L..43A	arXiv

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TEPCat: Basic observable properties of transiting planets

This table contains basic observable quantities all known (published) transiting extrasolar planets. The quantities comprise the sky position (J2000), V magnitude, latest orbital ephemerides, and the transit duration and depth. Transiting planets are denoted with a "TEP" and transiting brown dwarfs with a "BD". The transit depth is only approximate as it varies with wavelength.

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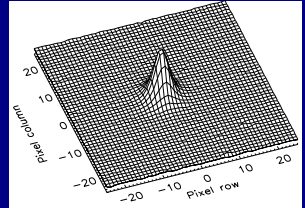
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55-Cnc-e	TEP	08 52 36.13	+28 19 53.0	5.95	0.0734	0.045 %	2455607.0553 ± 0.0026	0.736540 ± 0.000003	<a href="#">arXiv:1104.5230</a>
CoRoT-1	TEP	06 48 19.17	-03 06 07.8	13.6	0.10439	2.3 %	2454524.6231 ± 0.0002	1.5089686 ± 0.0000006	<a href="#">2009A+A...506..359G</a>
CoRoT-2	TEP	19 27 06.50	+01 23 01.4	12.57	0.09446	3.2 %	2454237.53556 ± 0.00021	1.7429935 ± 0.0000010	<a href="#">2010A+A...511A...3G</a>
CoRoT-3	BD	19 28 13.27	+00 07 18.6	13.29	0.153	0.25 %	2454283.13388 ± 0.00024	4.2567994 ± 0.0000035	<a href="#">2009A+A...506..377T</a>
CoRoT-4	TEP	06 48 46.72	-00 40 22.0	14.0	0.184	1.3 %	2454141.36416 ± 0.00089	9.20205 ± 0.00037	<a href="#">2008A+A...488L..43A</a>
CoRoT-5	TEP	06 45 06.54	+00 48 54.9	14.0	0.117	1.4 %	2454400.19885 ± 0.00002	4.0378962 ± 0.0000019	<a href="#">2009A+A...506..281R</a>
CoRoT-6	TEP	18 44 17.40	+06 39 47.4	13.91	0.170	1.5 %	2454595.6144 ± 0.0002	8.886593 ± 0.00004	<a href="#">2010A+A...512A..14F</a>
CoRoT-7	TEP	06 43 49.47	-01 02 46.9	11.67	0.0469	0.024 %	2454388.0769 ± 0.0015	0.853585 ± 0.000024	<a href="#">2009A+A...506..287I</a>

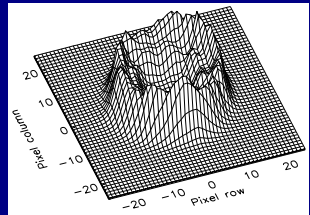
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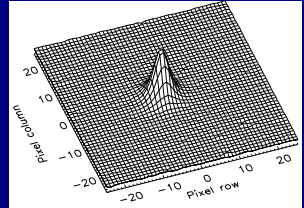
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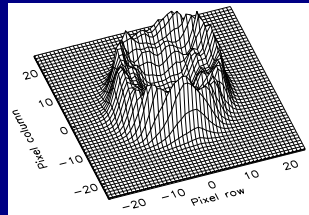
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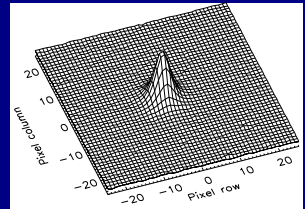
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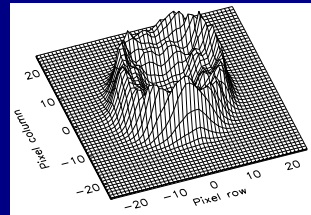
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  - higher background  $\Rightarrow$  not important for bright stars



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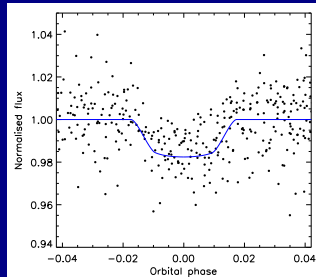


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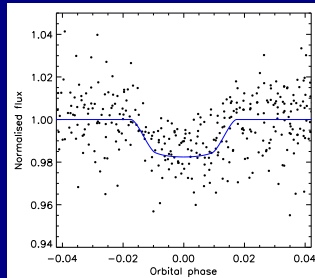
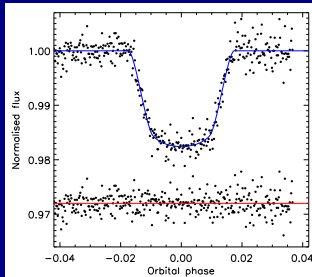
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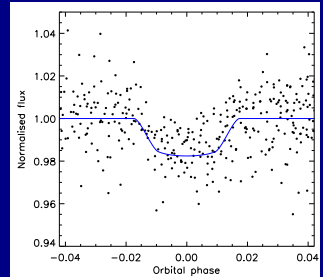


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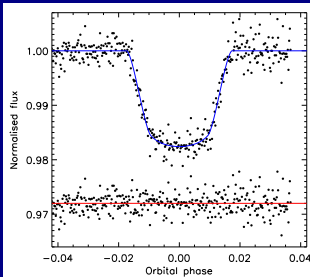
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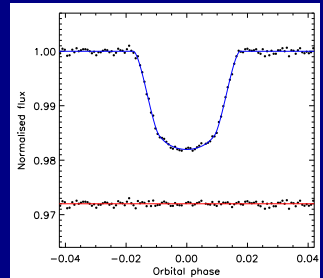
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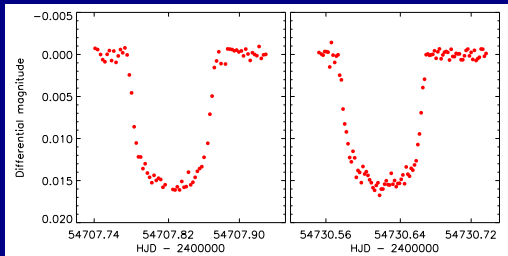


Defocused-photometry light curve  
(DK1.5, 2009/06/02)

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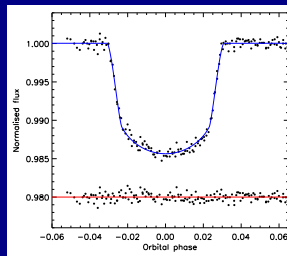
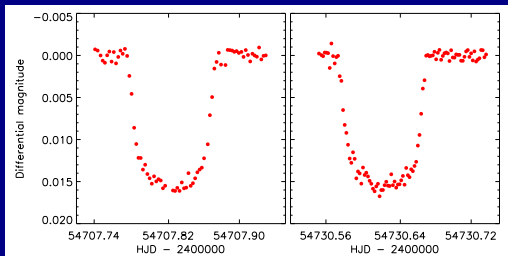


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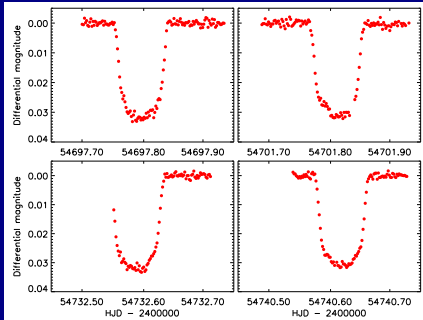
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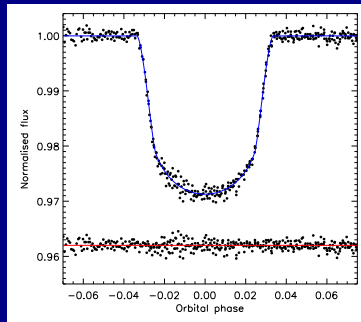
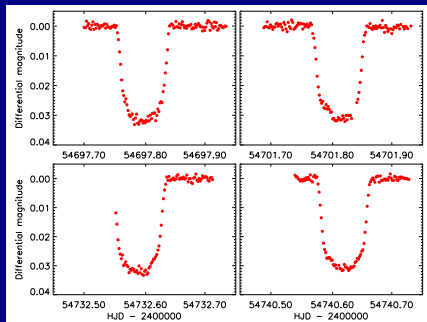
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- JKTEBOP fit + stellar models (2009MNRAS.396.1023S):
  - planet mass  $M_b = 1.637 \pm 0.075 \pm 0.033 M_{\text{Jup}}$
  - planet radius  $R_b = 1.171 \pm 0.056 \pm 0.012 R_{\text{Jup}}$
  - surface gravity  $g_b = 29.6 \pm 2.8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$  (empirical)

# MiNDSTEp 2008 season. II. WASP-4



- Four transits from the Danish,  $V$  filter,  $t_{\text{exp}} = 120$  s
  - two Magellan transits (Winn et al. 2009AJ....137.3826W)
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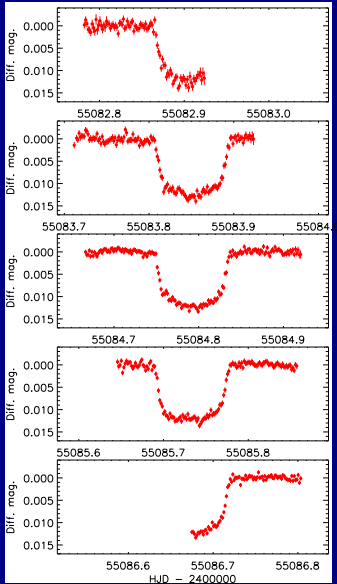
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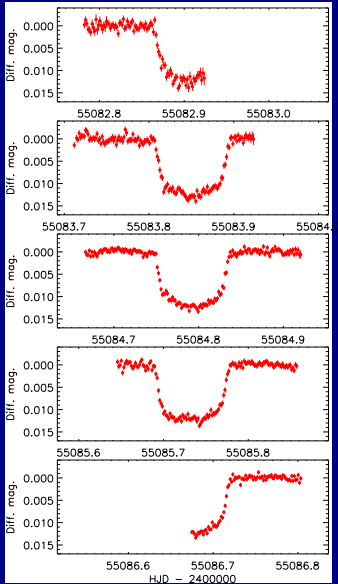
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- Analyse all data in standard way (2009MNRAS.399..287S):
  - planet mass  $M_b = 1.289^{+0.090}_{-0.090} {}^{+0.039}_{-0.000} M_{\text{Jup}}$
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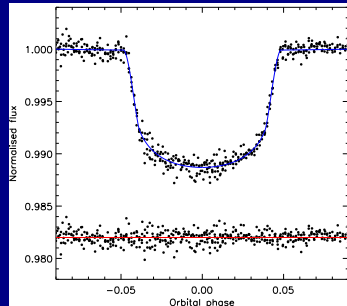
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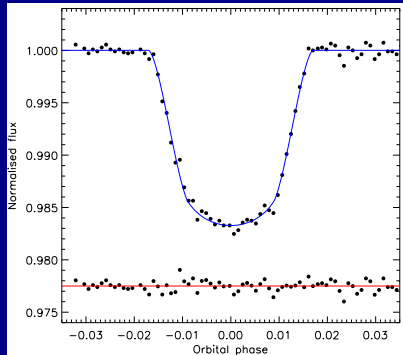
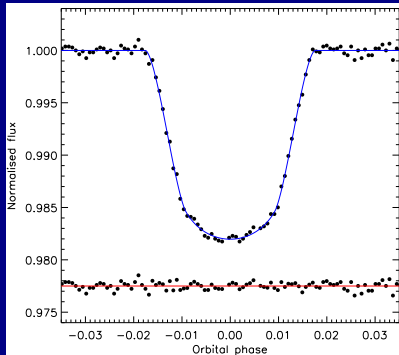
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- Standard analysis (2009ApJ...707..167S)
  - $M_b = 10.43 \pm 0.30 \pm 0.24 M_{\text{JUP}}$
  - $R_b = 1.165 \pm 0.055 \pm 0.014 R_{\text{JUP}}$
  - $g_b = 191 \pm 17 \text{ m s}^{-2}$



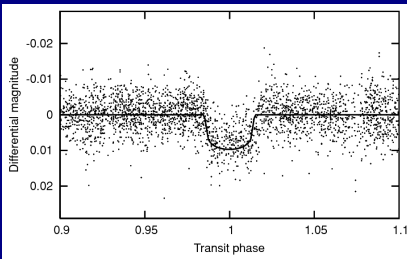
# MiNDSTEp 2009 season. II. WASP-2



- Two transits of WASP-2 ( $\sigma = 0.42$  and  $0.48$  mmag)
- Standard analysis (2010MNRAS.408.1680S):
  - $M_b = 0.846 \pm 0.055 \pm 0.023 M_{\text{Jup}}$
  - $R_b = 1.043 \pm 0.029 \pm 0.015 R_{\text{Jup}}$
  - $g_b = 19.32 \pm 0.80 \text{ m s}^{-2}$

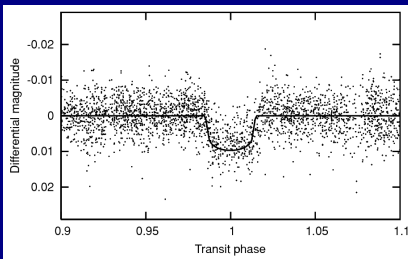
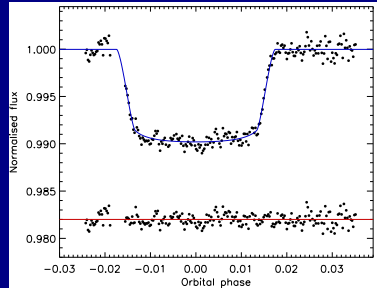
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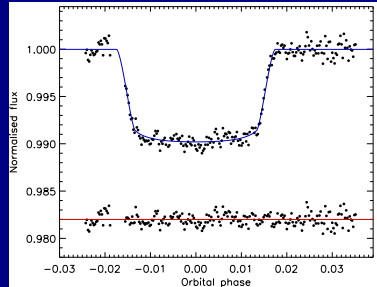
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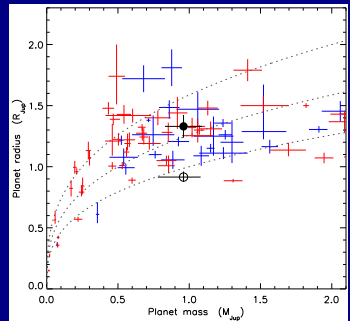
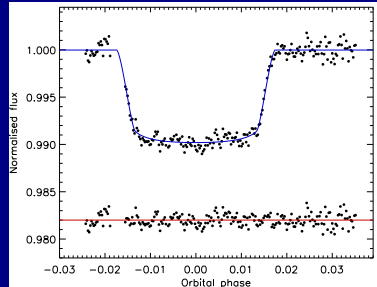
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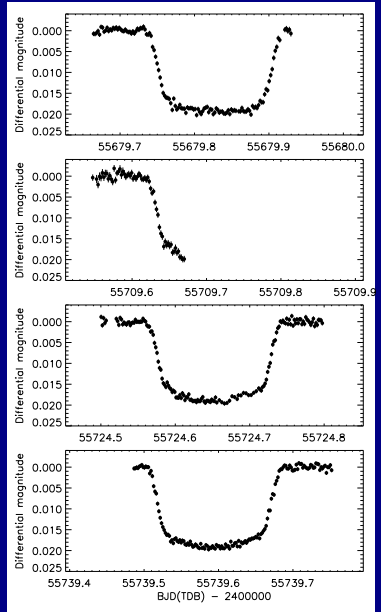
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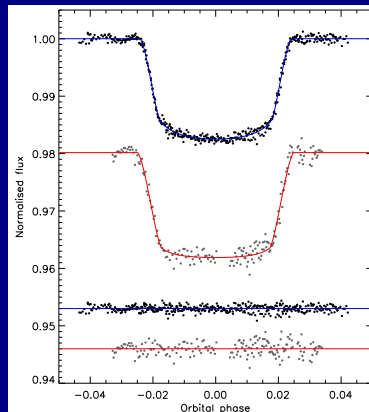
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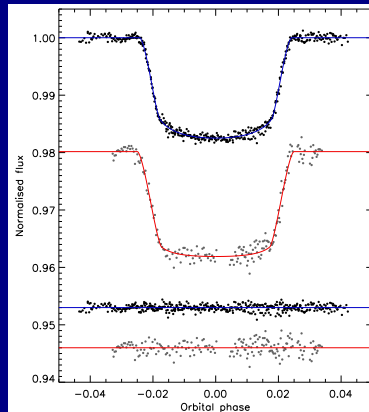
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  - $\rho_b = 0.062 \pm 0.005 \rho_{\text{Jup}}$
- Paper in progress



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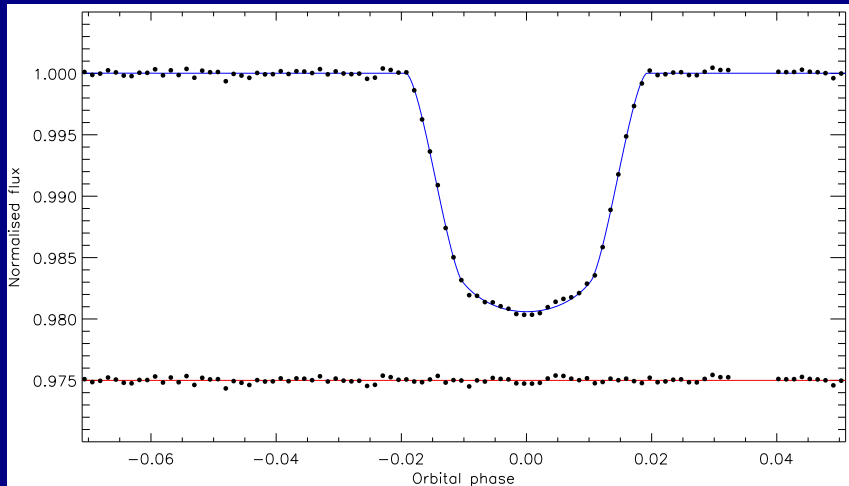
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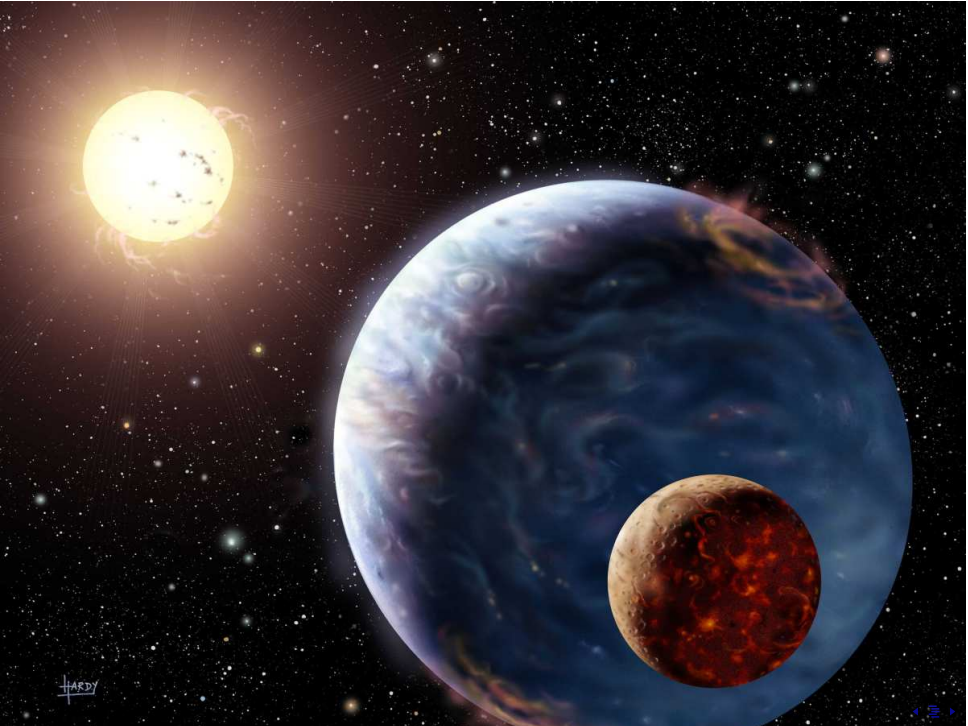
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- 20–30 more possible targets

# How far can we go?



To the NTT and beyond!  
WASP-50: scatter 0.23 mmag?



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