Surveying hot Jupiter atmospheres with Keck/KPIC

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Orbit Semi-Major Axis [au]

Hot Jupiters in context

Formation pathways

Core Accretion

- Solid core becomes large enough to undergo runaway gas accretion
- Requires initial solid core
- Atmospheric composition depends on location with respect to snow lines, solid:gas accretion ratio
- Accretion and disk lifetime limit mass

Direct collapse

- Portion of protoplanetary disk becomes gravitationally unstable and collapses
- Requires instability conditions
- Composition similar to stellar
- Can produce very high masses very quickly

Formation pathways

Disk migration

- Giant planet migrates inwards due to interactions with disk
- Continues accreting during migration
- Aligned with host star
- Migration stops at/before inner edge of disk

High-eccentricity migration

- Giant planet migrates inwards due to scattering with another companion
- Disk dissipated prior to migration, no continued accretion
- Misaligned final orbits
- Tidal circularization requires very small periapsis

In/near-Situ

- Can massive planets form inside water ice line?
- Massive disks?
- Aligned orbits
- Beyond inner edge of disk (absent later migration)



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Only 1/10 hot Jupiters transit their host star

Only 1/200 planets at 1 AU transit their host star

Transiting planets are rare, and dimmer on average. How do we characterize the rest?

Hot Jupiters as binaries

 Hot Jupiters have star/planet contrasts of ~few x 10⁻⁴ in near-infrared

Hot Jupiters as binaries

- Hot Jupiters have star/planet contrasts of ~few x 10⁻⁴ in near-infrared
- High resolution spectrographs resolve many planet lines
- Planet lines shift in wavelength





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Hot Jupiters with Keck/KPIC



WASP-33 b

- Retrieved composition is high-C/O, high-metallicity
- WASP-189 b shows similar composition
- Retrieval improvements to address possible dissociation biases



HD 189733 b







Survey status



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Pre-2023A KPIC hot Jupiter detections



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KPIC transmission spectroscopy



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New 2023A KPIC hot Jupiter detections



+1 more in progress

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200x Solar metallicity?

HD 149026 b 4 75 50 - 2 Δv_{sys} [km/s] 25 0 0 -25 -50 -75 -4 -100100 200 -200 300 0 K_p [km/s]

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Significance $[\sigma]$

Near-real time quicklook



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Towards a population-level understanding

- Underlying distribution of C/O and metallicity constrain formation channel(s)
- Sample achievable by 2024B after 2023B shutdown
- Winds, photochemistry, ¹³C/¹²C also constrained
- Ongoing improvements to atmospheric retrieval frameworks are easing/speeding analysis



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