

# Free-floating planets from Microlensing



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# Free-floating planet



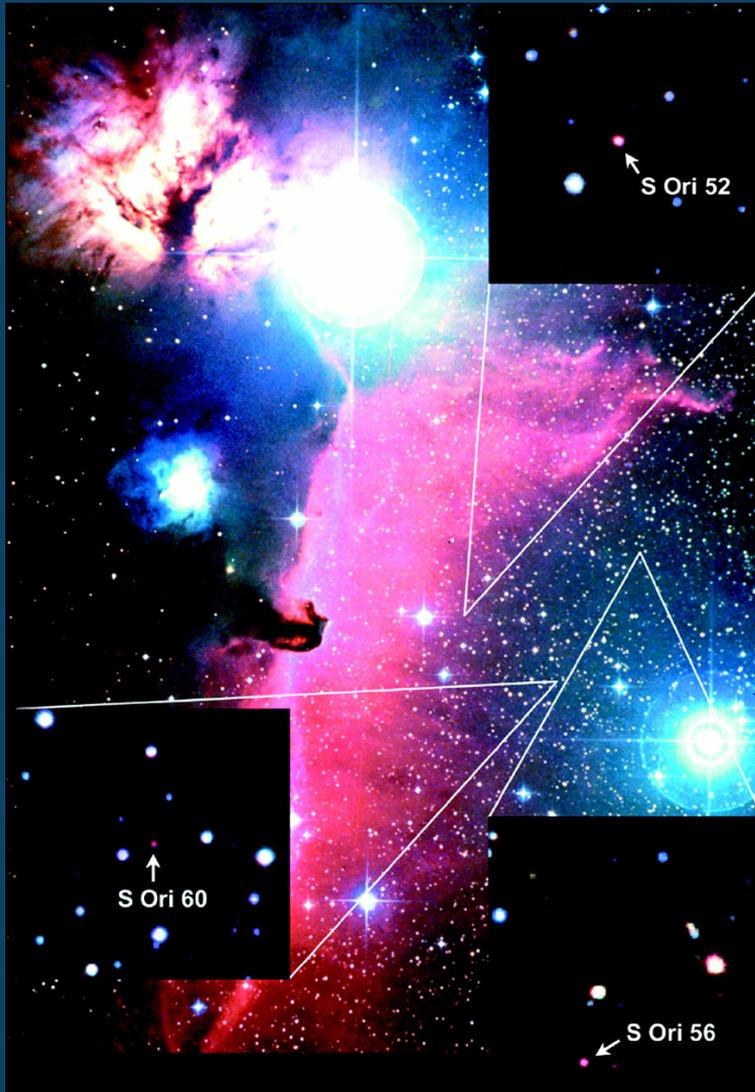
Planetary-mass objects that is not orbiting about any host star called:

- Free-floating planet
- Rogue planet
- Orphan planet
- Interstellar planet

Can we call them “Planet”? --- still in debate

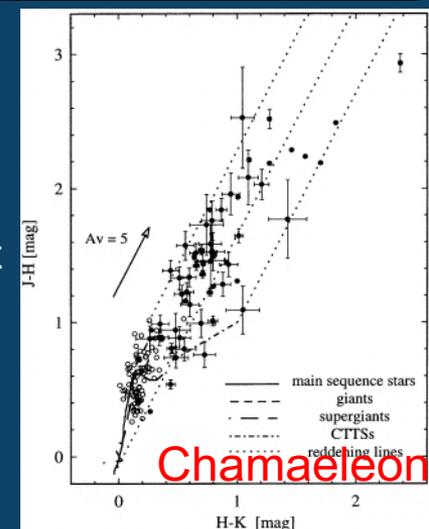
- If they formed around a host star, and scattered out from orbit, then we may call them a planet.
- However, others believe that the definition of 'planet' should depend on current observable state, and not origin
- They may form on their own through gas cloud collapse similar to star formation; in which case they would never have been planets.  
→ “planetary-mass object” or “ sub brown dwarf”

# Free-floating planetary-mass objects in young star forming region



$M \sim 5-15 M_J$

- However, Large uncertainty in
- photometric mass measurement
- their abundance



# Size comparison



Sun

Late M-type dwarf

L brown dwarf

T brown dwarf

Jupiter

Mass: 1050

75

65

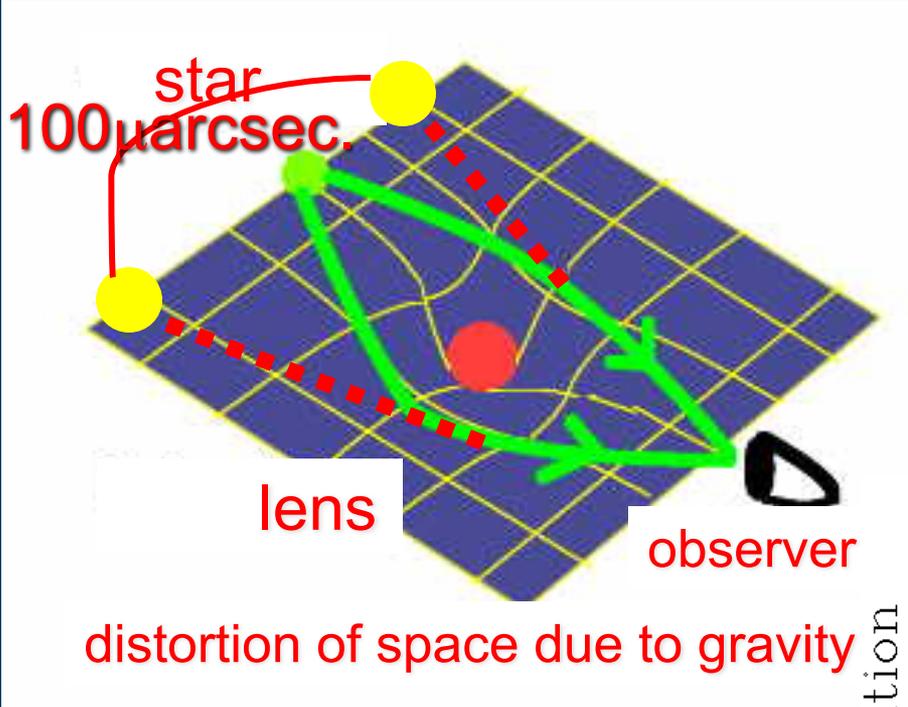
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1 (Jupiter mass)

# Gravitational Microlensing

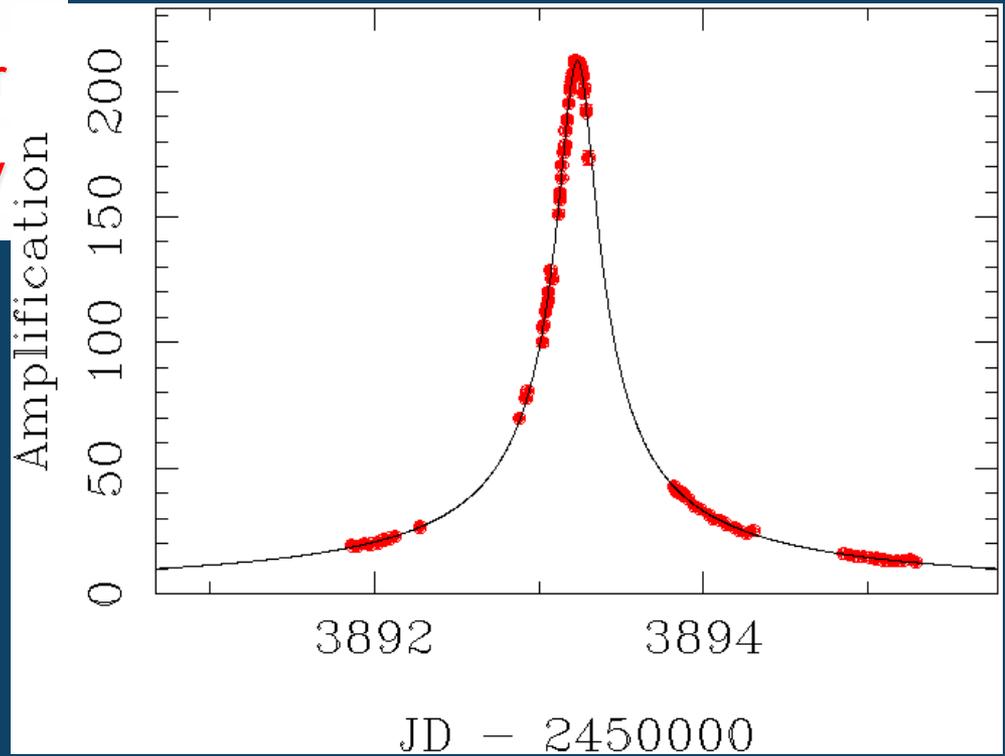


Science, 1936

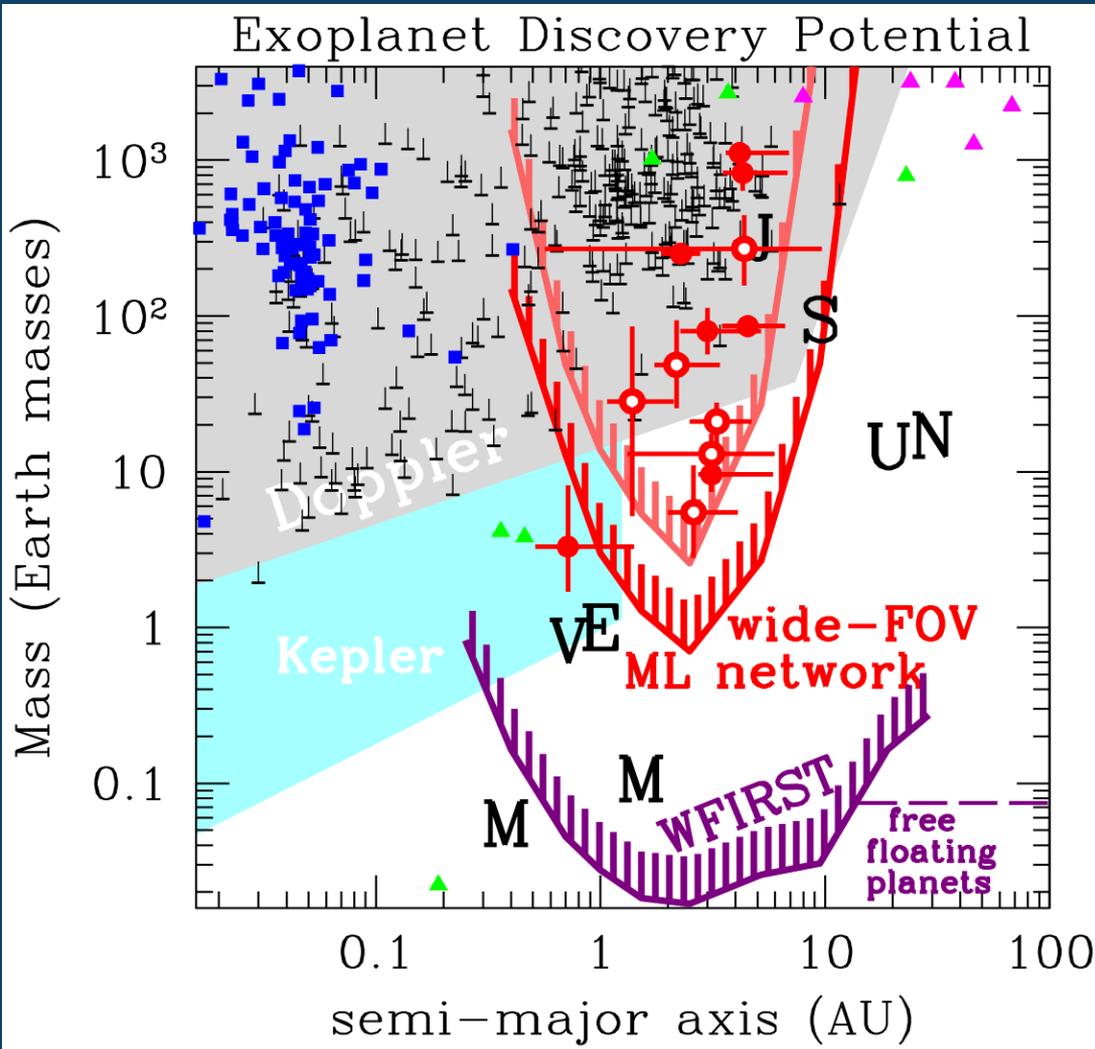


- ✧ If a lens is a star, elongation of images is an order of  $100\mu\text{arcsec}$ .
- ✧ Just see a star magnified
- ✧ Einstein predicted 1936, but concluded impossible to observe. Event rate is 1/1M

- 1986  
Watch Millions stars  
Paczynski



# Sensitivity of various methods



- RV
- transit
- Direct image
- Microlensing:  
not rely on flux from host



- 1-6 AU : beyond snow line
- small planet: down to Earth
- Faint star :M-dwarf, brown dwarf
- No host : free floating planet
- Far system: galactic distribution

# MOA (since 1995)



## (Microlensing Observation in Astrophysics)

( New Zealand/Mt. John Observatory, Latitude: 44°S, Alt: 1029m )

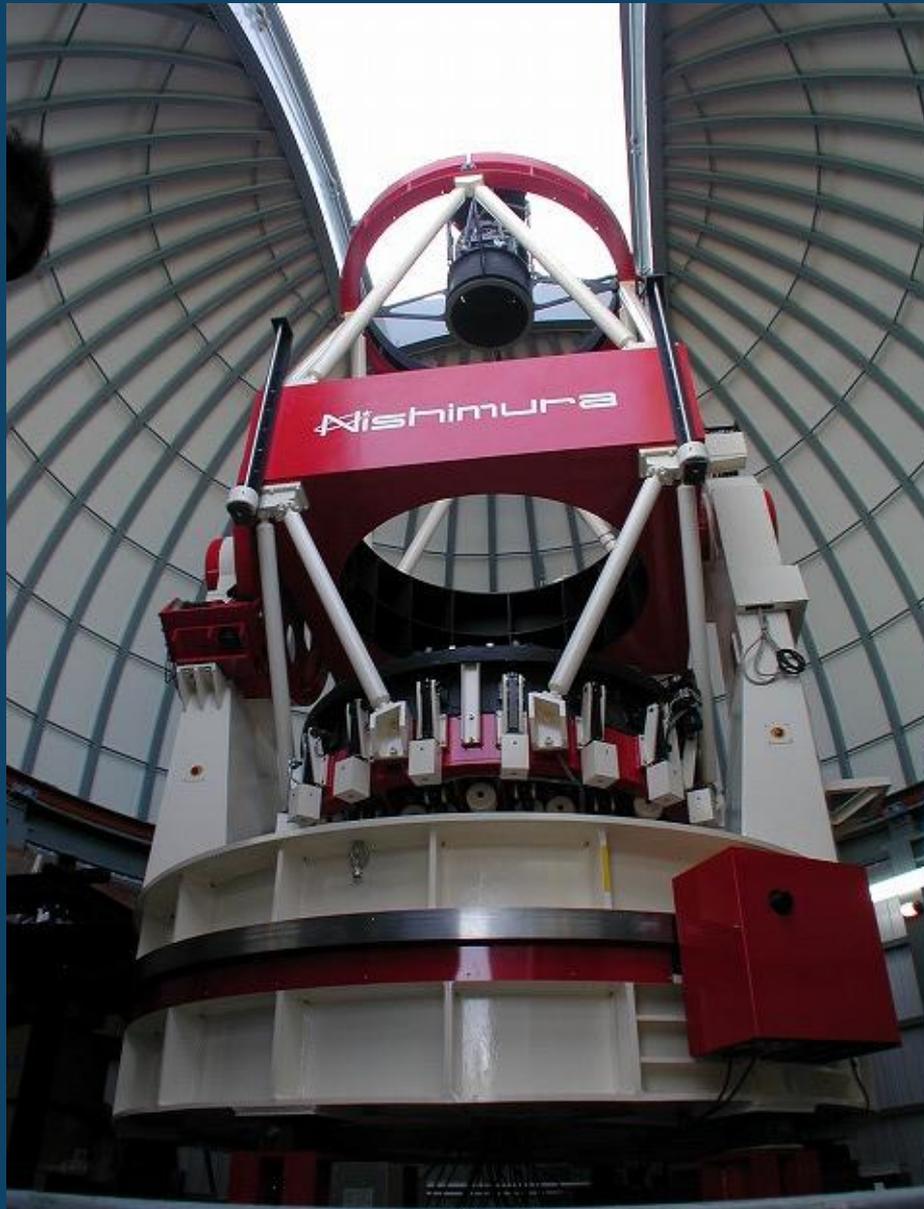


# MOA (until ~1500) (the world largest bird in NZ)



- height:3.5 m
- weight:250kg
- can not fly
- Extinct 500 years ago  
(Maori ate them)

# MOA-II 1.8m



Mirror : 1.8m

CCD : 80M pix.(12x15cm)

FOV : 2.2 deg.<sup>2</sup>

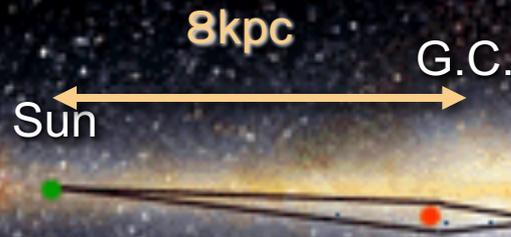
(10 times as full moon)



# Survey towards the Galactic Bulge

✧ why? → Probability:  
Microlensing :  $\sim 10^{-6}$  events/yr/star  
Planetary event :  $\sim 10^{-2}$

→ need Wide Field for Many stars

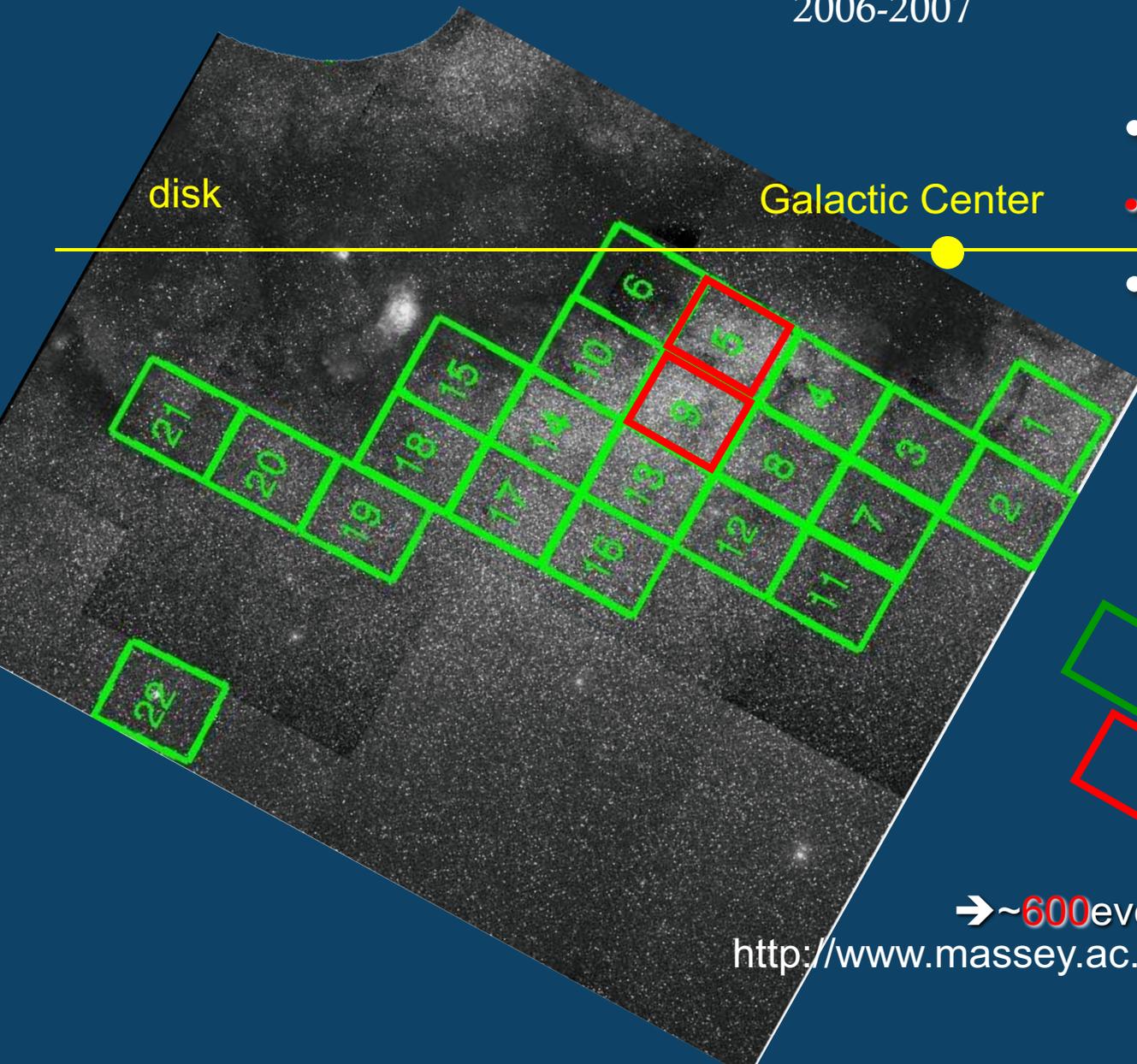


Time scale  $\sim 30$ days ( $M_{\odot}$ )  
 $\sim$  a few days ( $M_{\text{Jup}}$ )  
 $\sim$  hours ( $M_{\oplus}$ )

→ need high cadence

# Observational fields

2006-2007



•50 deg.<sup>2</sup>

•(200x full moon)

•20 Mstars

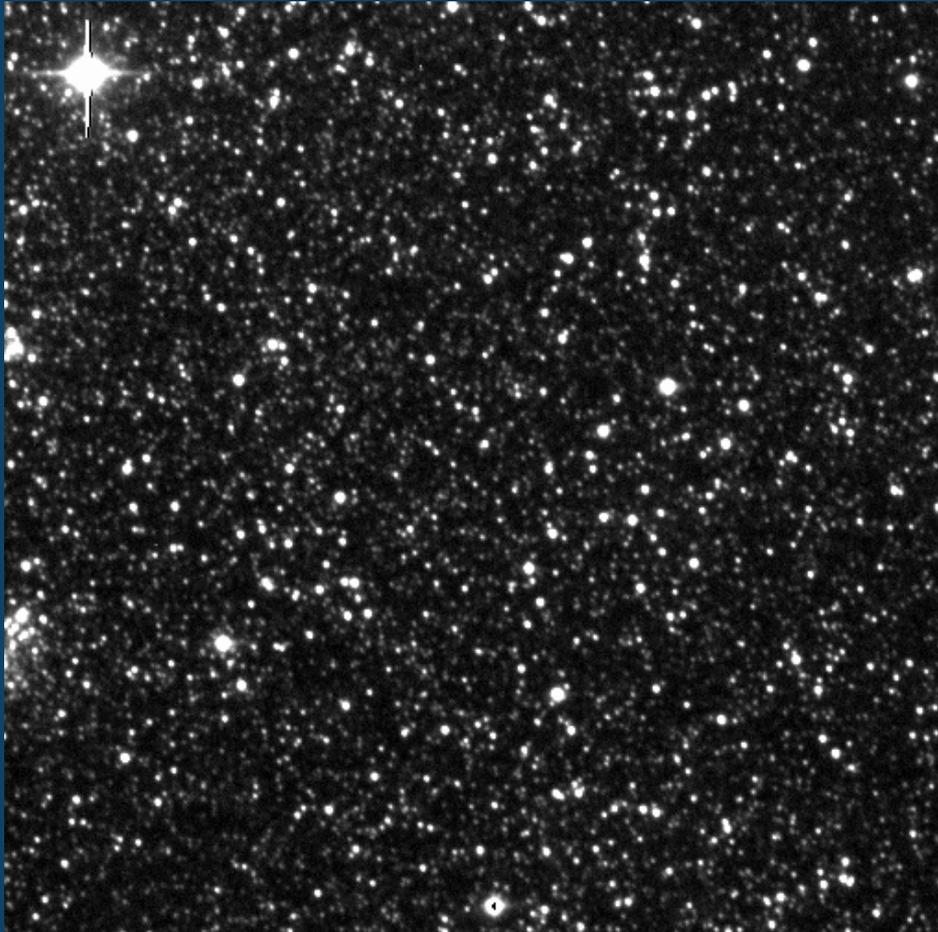
 1obs/1 hr  
 1obs/10min.

→~600events/yr

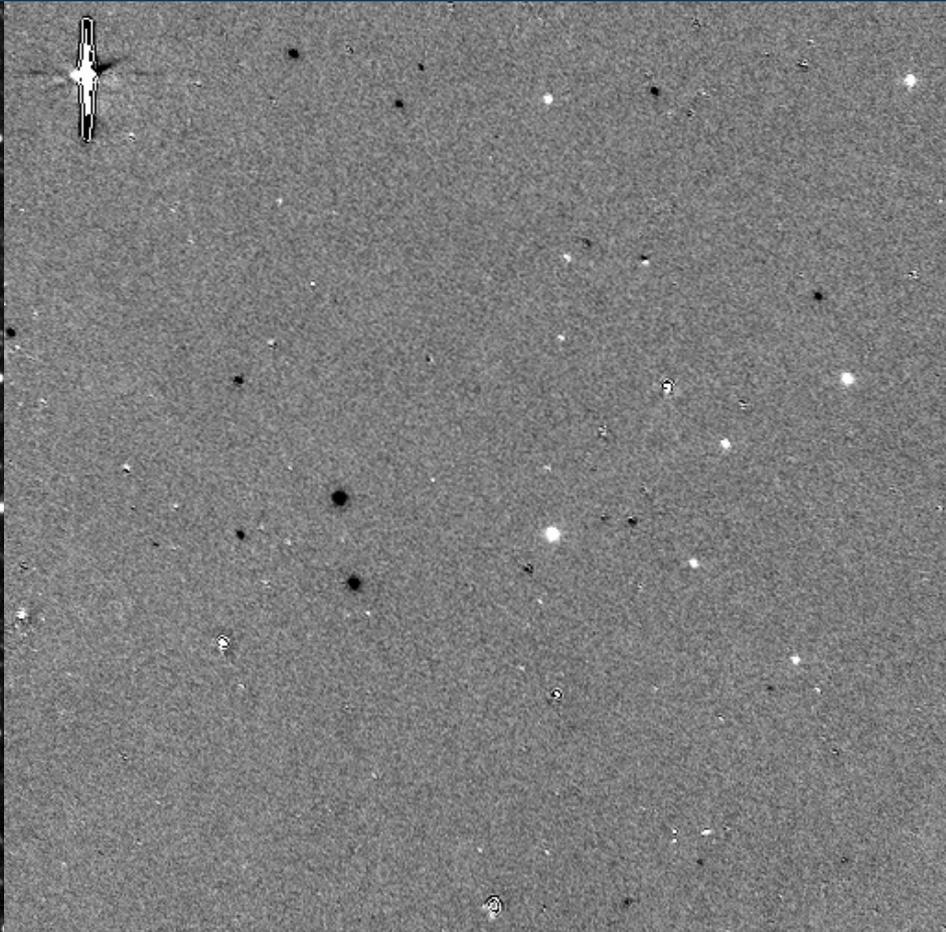
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# Difference Image Analysis (DIA)

Observed



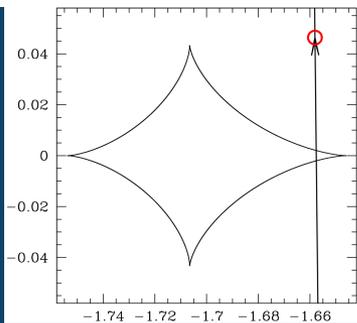
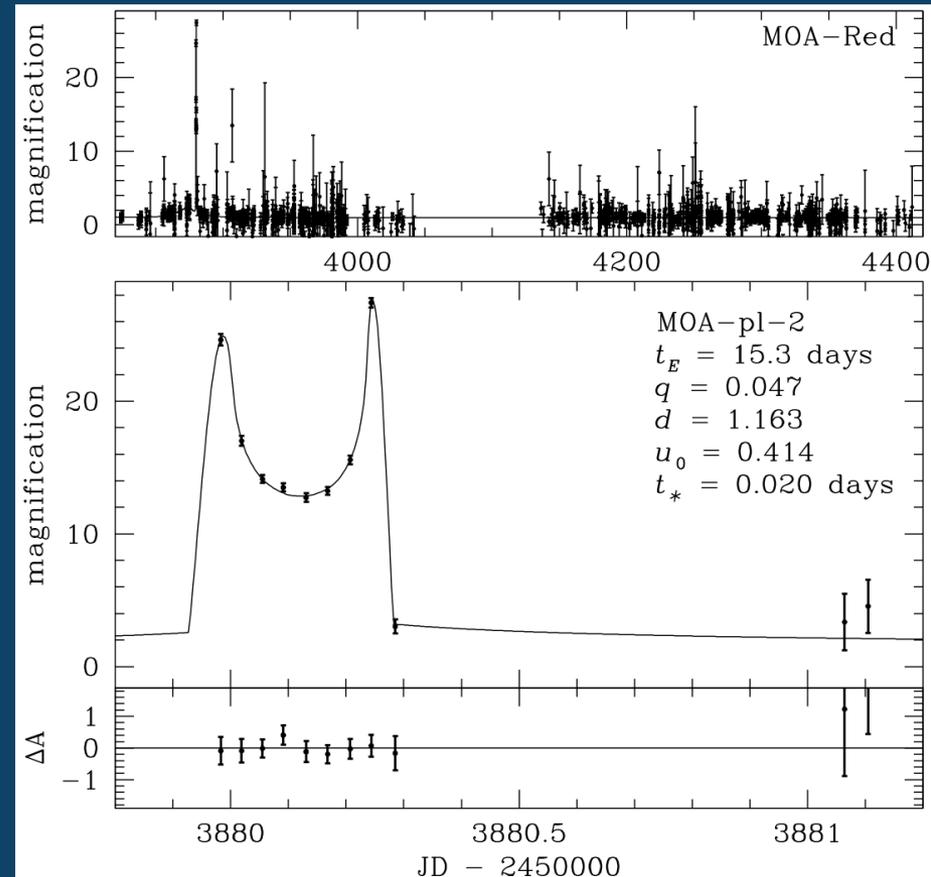
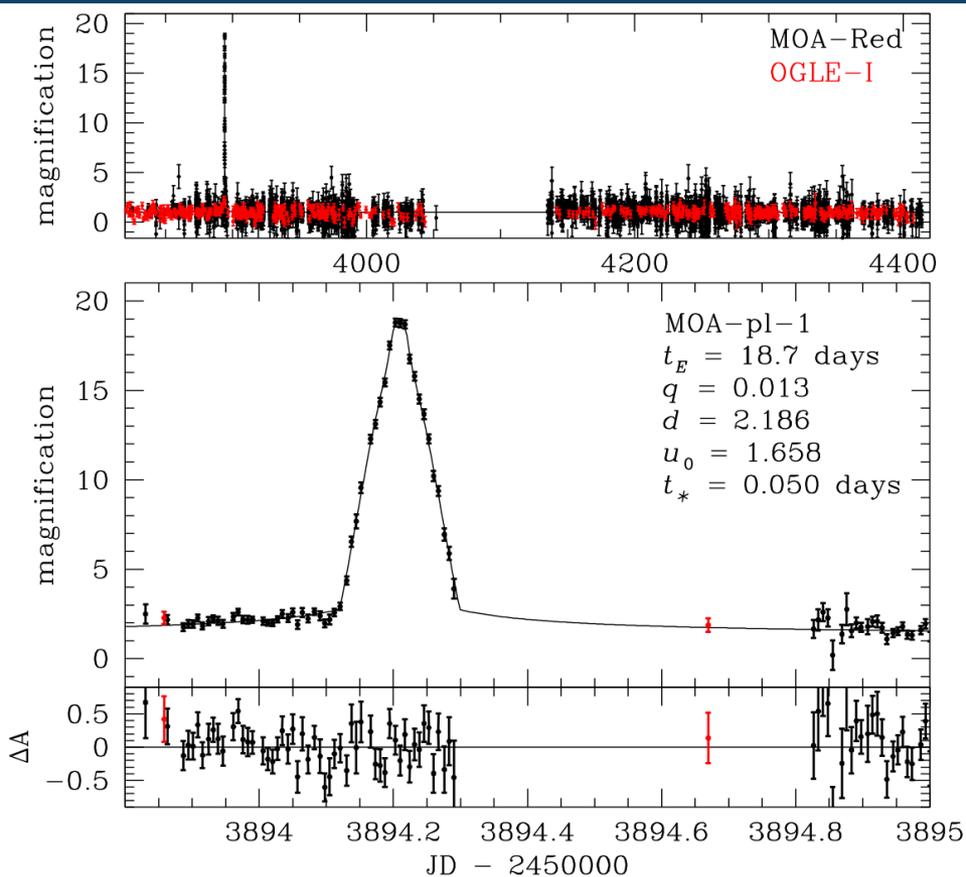
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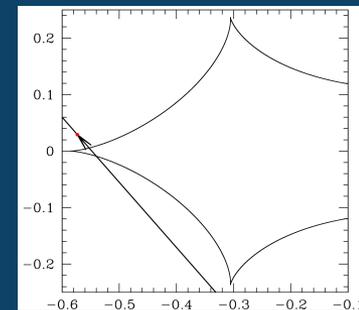
# Binary Lens Background Rejection

- Both close ( $d < R_E$ ) and wide ( $d > R_E$ ) binary lens events can give rise to brief microlensing magnifications
- All short events can be fit by a wide binary model, because a wide binary approaches a single lens as  $d \rightarrow \infty$ 
  - host stars must be at a distance  $> 3-15 R_E$ , depending on the event
  - high magnification events have the tightest limits
  - 2 wide binaries fail light curve shape cuts
- Close binaries have small external caustics that can also give short events
  - 1 such event passed all cuts but the light curve fit.
  - Close binary models have different, usually asymmetric, light curves
  - Close binary models can be rejected for all  $t_E < 2$  day events, except for event 5
  - Since only 1 of 13 short events is a close binary, event 5 is probably a single lens event

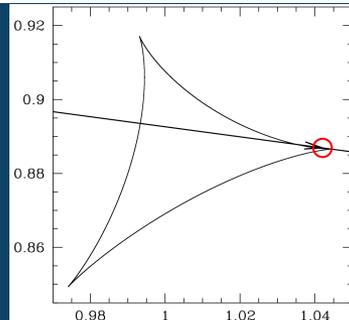
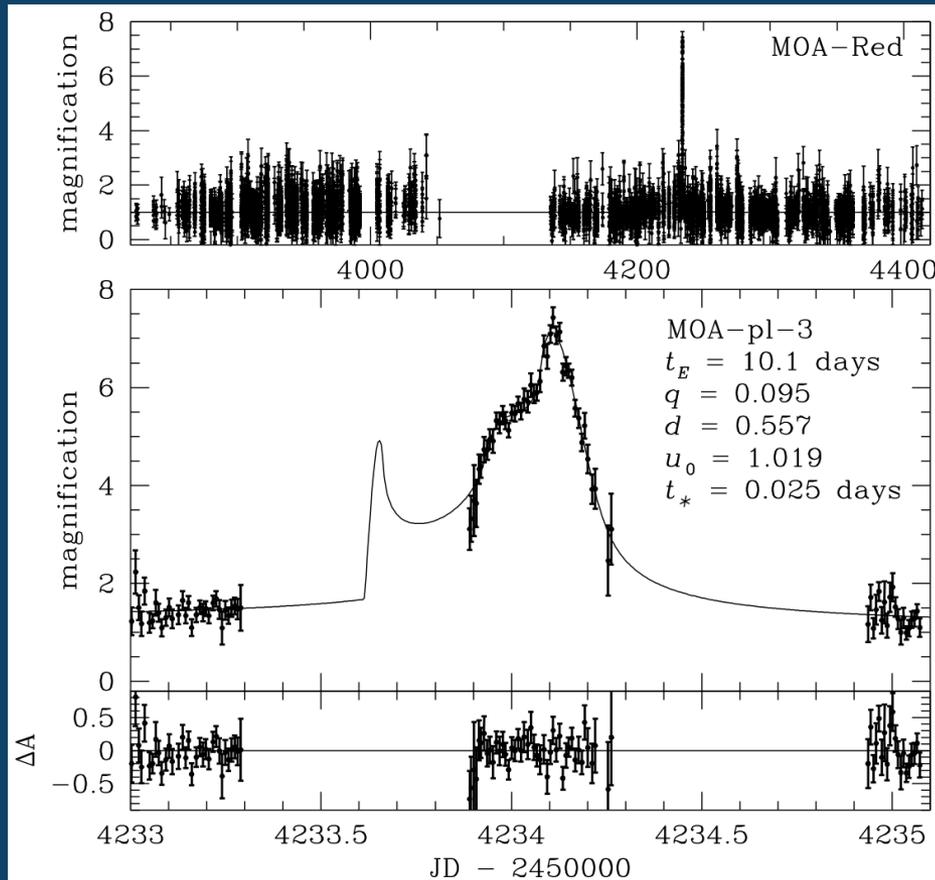
# Background: Short Binary Events



Wide-binaries ( $d = 2.2, 1.2$ ) with planetary and brown dwarf mass ratios of  $q = 0.013$  and  $0.047$

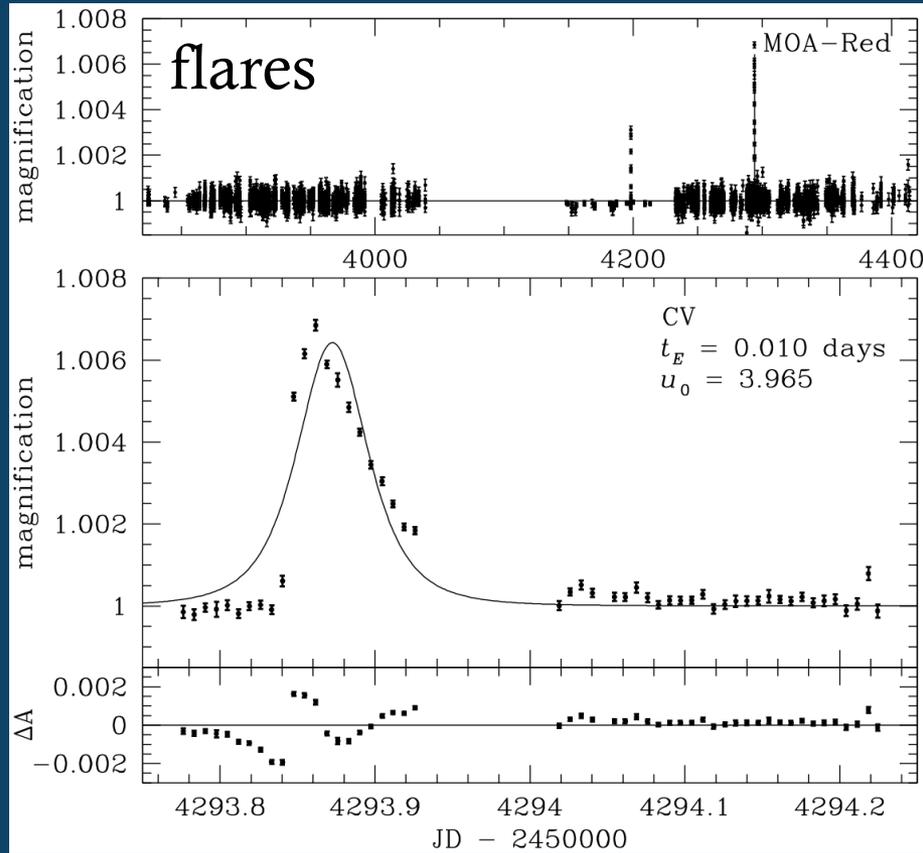


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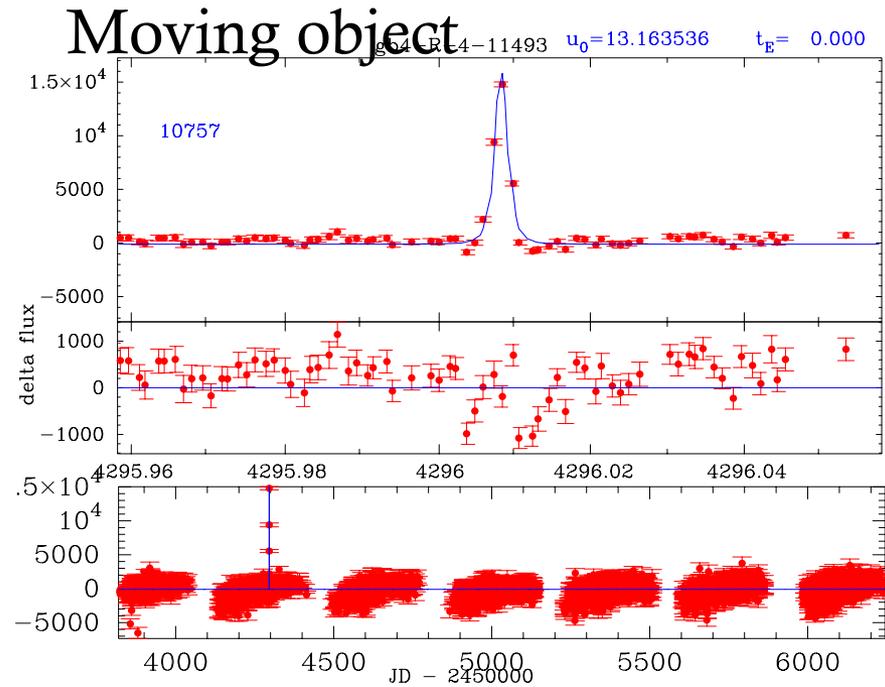


Close-binary ( $d = 0.56$ ) with  
 $q = 0.095$

# Background: CV or moving objects



a CV gives a poor microlensing fit, often with low magnification and an unphysically bright source



Moving object gives symmetric but unphysical microlensing fit, often with low magnification and an unphysically bright source

# 10 events with timescale $t_E < 2$ days

474 events in 2 years

Einstein  
timescale:

$$R_E = \sqrt{\frac{4GM D_l (D_s - D_l)}{c^2 D_s}}$$
$$t_E = \frac{R_E}{v_t} \sim \sqrt{M/M_J} \text{ day}$$

~20 days for stars

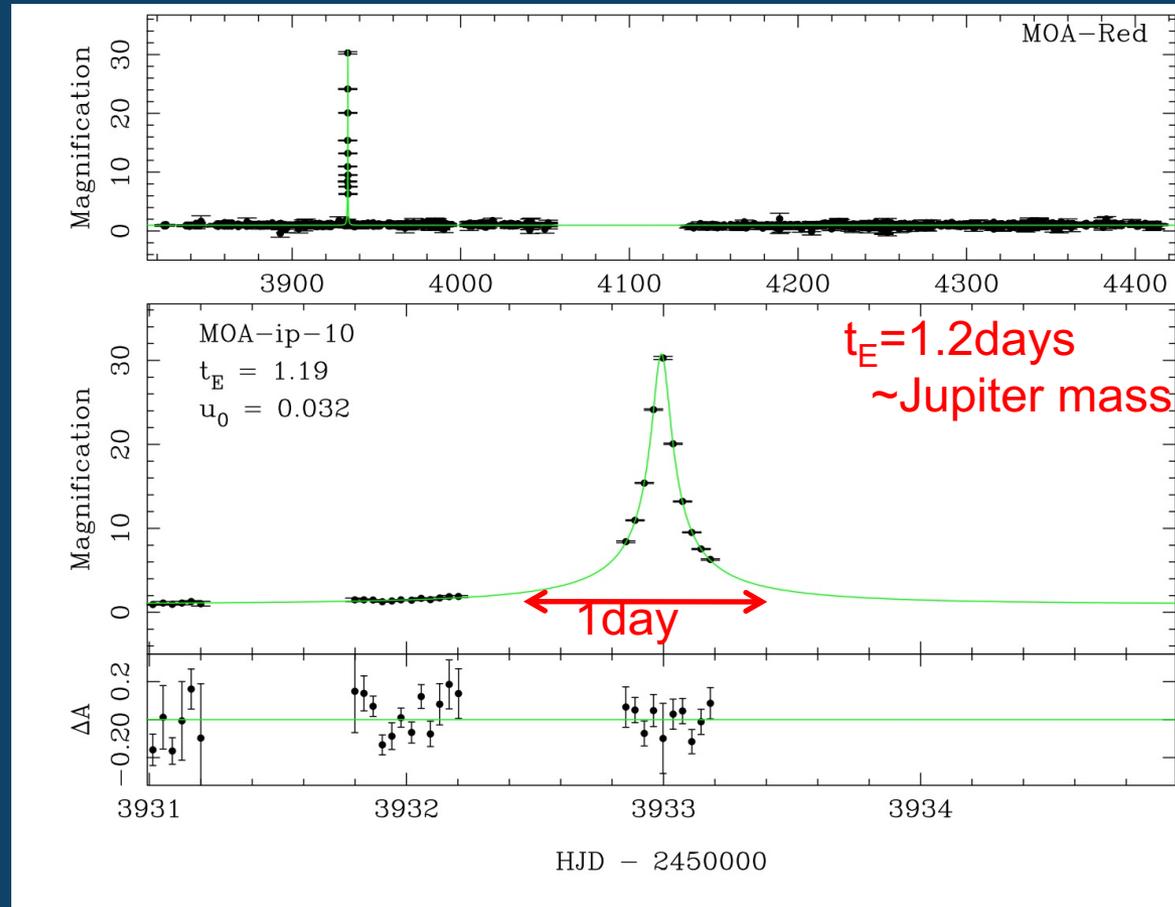
M: lens mass

$M_J$ : Jupiter mass

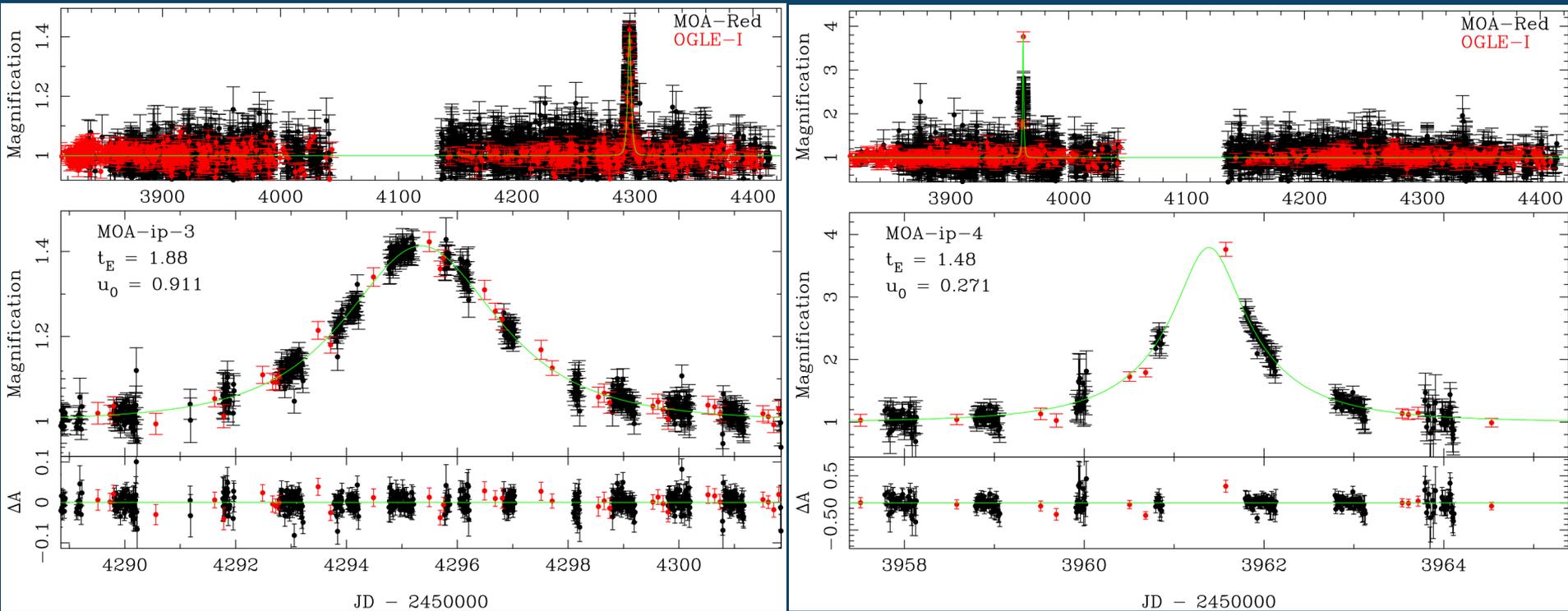
$D_l$ : lens distance

$D_s$ : source distance

$v_t$ : transverse velocity



# 10 events with $t_E < 2$ days from 2006-2007 (events 3, 4)



MOA data in black, confirmed by OGLE data in red

# Einstein timescale

Table 4. Timescale  $t_E$  [d] for a grid of  $(D_\ell, M_\ell)$ , assuming  $\mu_{\text{rel}} = 4$  mas/yr (bulge lens)<sup>a</sup>

	Lens Type	$M_\ell [M_\odot]$	$D_\ell$ [kpc]					
			1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	6.0
Bulge lens	Black hole	10				225.5	168.1	110.1
	G Dwarf	1				71.3	<b>53.2</b>	34.8
	M Dwarf	0.3				39.1	<b>29.1</b>	19.1
	M Dwarf	0.1				22.6	16.8	11.0
	Brown Dwarf	0.01				7.1	5.3	3.5
	Jupiter	0.001				2.3	1.7	1.1

<sup>a</sup>Assuming a source star distance of  $D_s = 8$  kpc.

Conceptual Themes for the 2017  
Sagan Summer Workshop

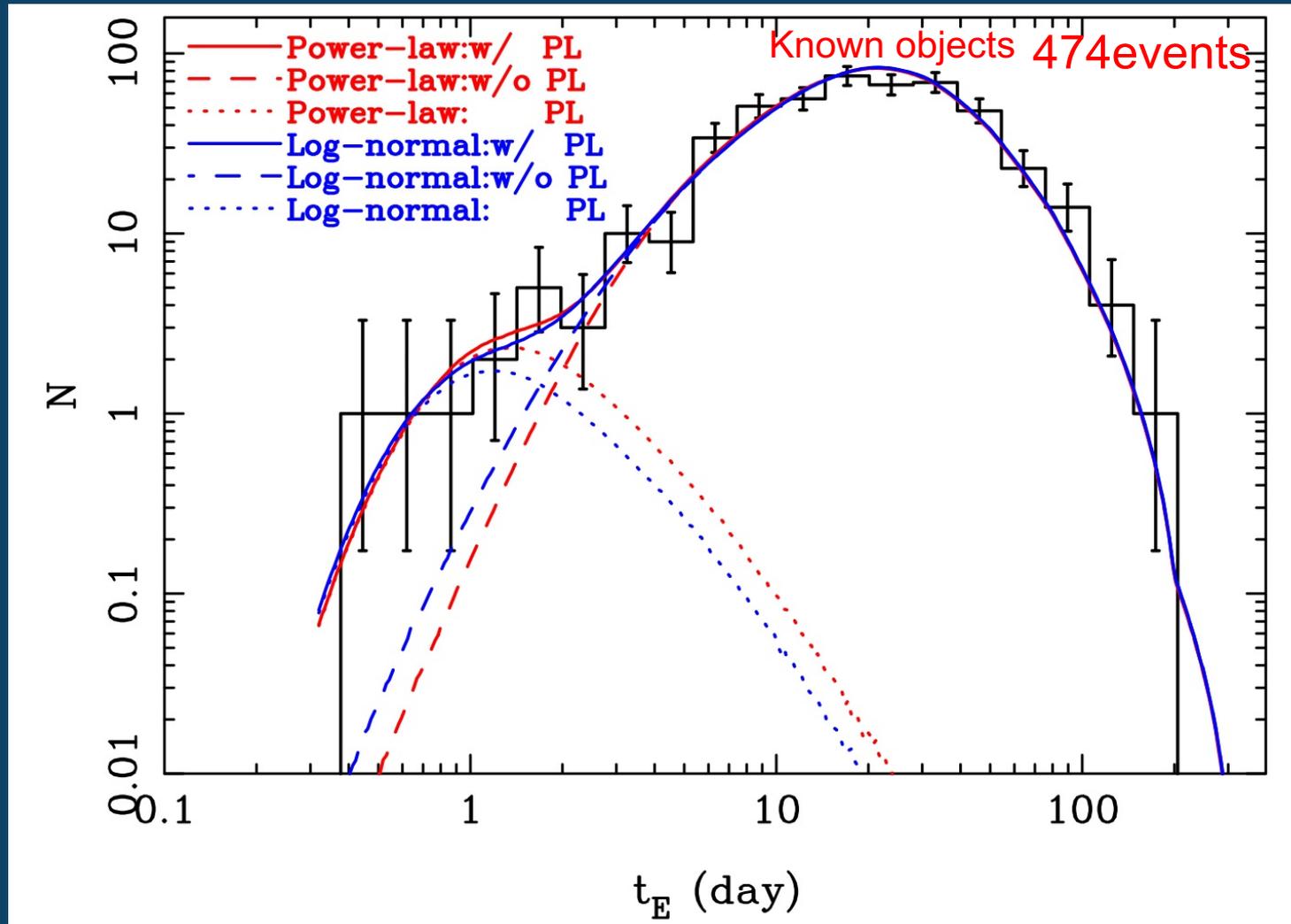
Table 5. Timescale  $t_E$  [d] for a grid of  $(D_\ell, M_\ell)$ , assuming  $\mu_{\text{rel}} = 10$  mas/yr (disk lens)<sup>a</sup>

	Lens Type	$M_\ell [M_\odot]$	$D_\ell$ [kpc]					
			1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	6.0
Disk lens	Black hole	10	308.1	201.7	150.4	116.5	90.2	
	G Dwarf	1	97.4	63.8	47.5	<b>36.8</b>	28.5	
	M Dwarf	0.3	53.4	34.9	26.0	<b>20.2</b>	15.6	
	M Dwarf	0.1	30.8	20.2	15.0	11.6	9.0	
	Brown Dwarf	0.01	9.7	6.4	4.8	3.7	2.9	
	Jupiter	0.001	3.1	2.0	1.5	1.2	0.9	

<sup>a</sup>Assuming a source star distance of  $D_s = 8$  kpc.

# Timescale $t_E$ distribution

474 events In 2006-2007



# Modeling $t_E$ distribution

The Einstein timescale  $t_E$  is the only observable in the regular single lens microlensing event and is given by

$$t_E = \frac{R_E(M, D)}{v_t}$$

Mass  
Distance  
Transverse velocity

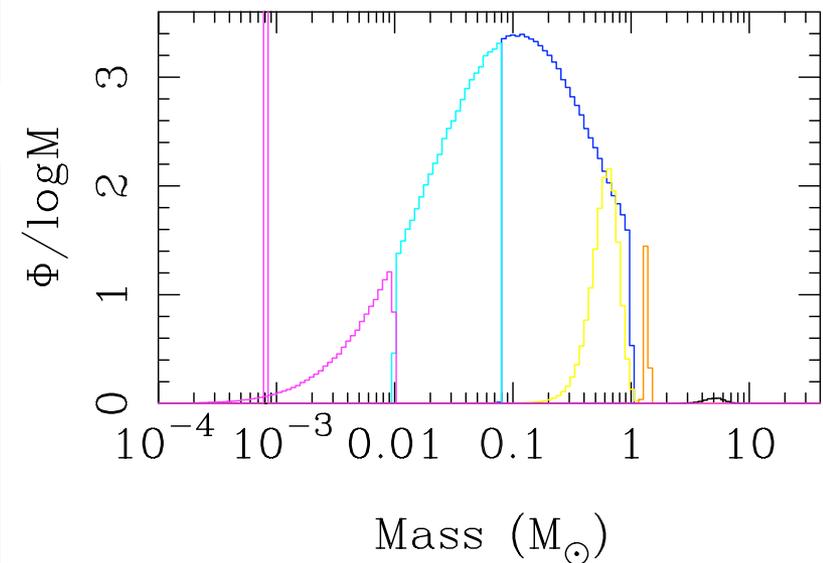
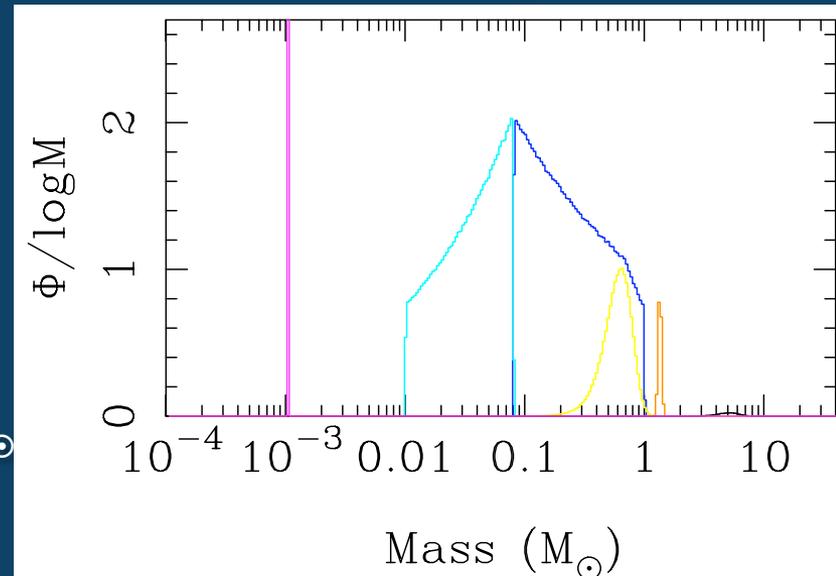
Although the physical parameters of the lens and source are degenerate, a model  $t_E$  distribution,  $\Phi(t_E)$ , can be calculated using a Monte Carlo simulation for an assumed **mass function** with a standard **galactic mass density** and **velocity model** (Han, C. & Gould, 2003)

# Mass Function Models

- Assume Salpeter-like slope ( $\alpha = -2$ ) for initial  $>1 M_{\odot}$  stars  
→ stellar remnants
- Two choices at  $< 1 M_{\odot}$ 
  - Broken power law
    - $\alpha = -2$  for  $M > 0.7 M_{\odot}$
    - $\alpha = -1.3$  for  $0.7 M_{\odot} > M > 0.08 M_{\odot}$
    - $\alpha = -0.52$  for  $0.08 M_{\odot} > M > 0.01 M_{\odot}$
  - Chabrier log-normal
    - $M_c = 0.12 M_{\odot}$ ,  $\sigma_c = 0.76$

$$dN/d\log M = \exp[(\log M - \log M_c)^2 / (2\sigma_c^2)]$$

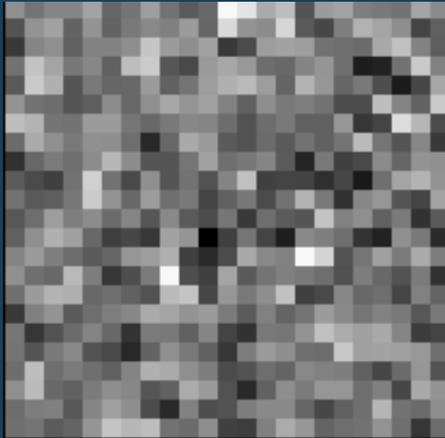
- Planetary  $\delta$ -function in mass
  - mass resolution limited by
  - factor of 2-3 precision in
  - $t_E$  – mass relation



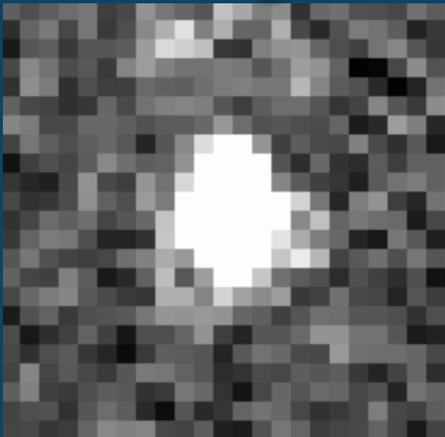
# Simulation

Put artificial events on real images

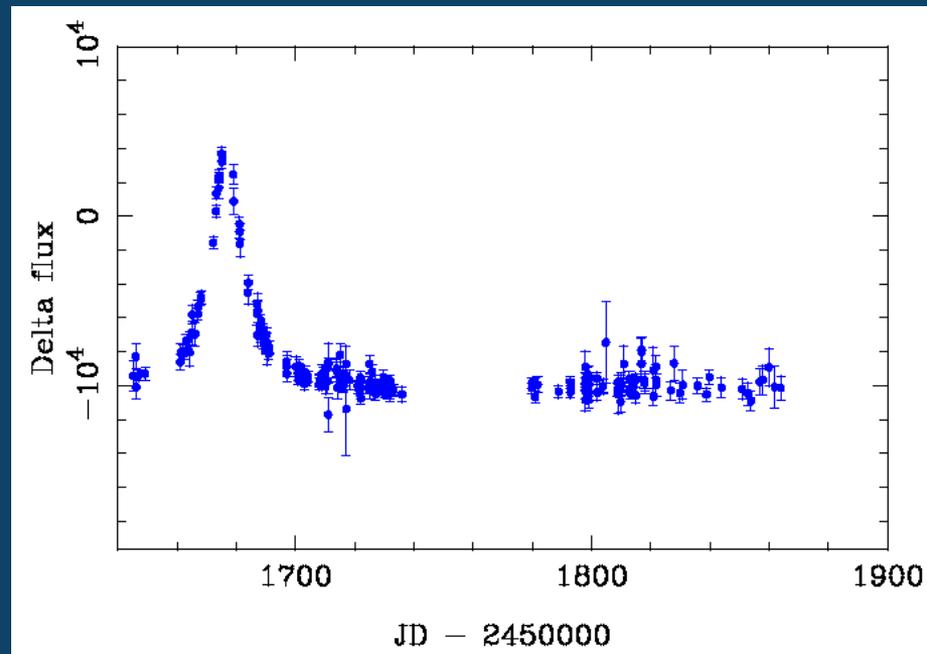
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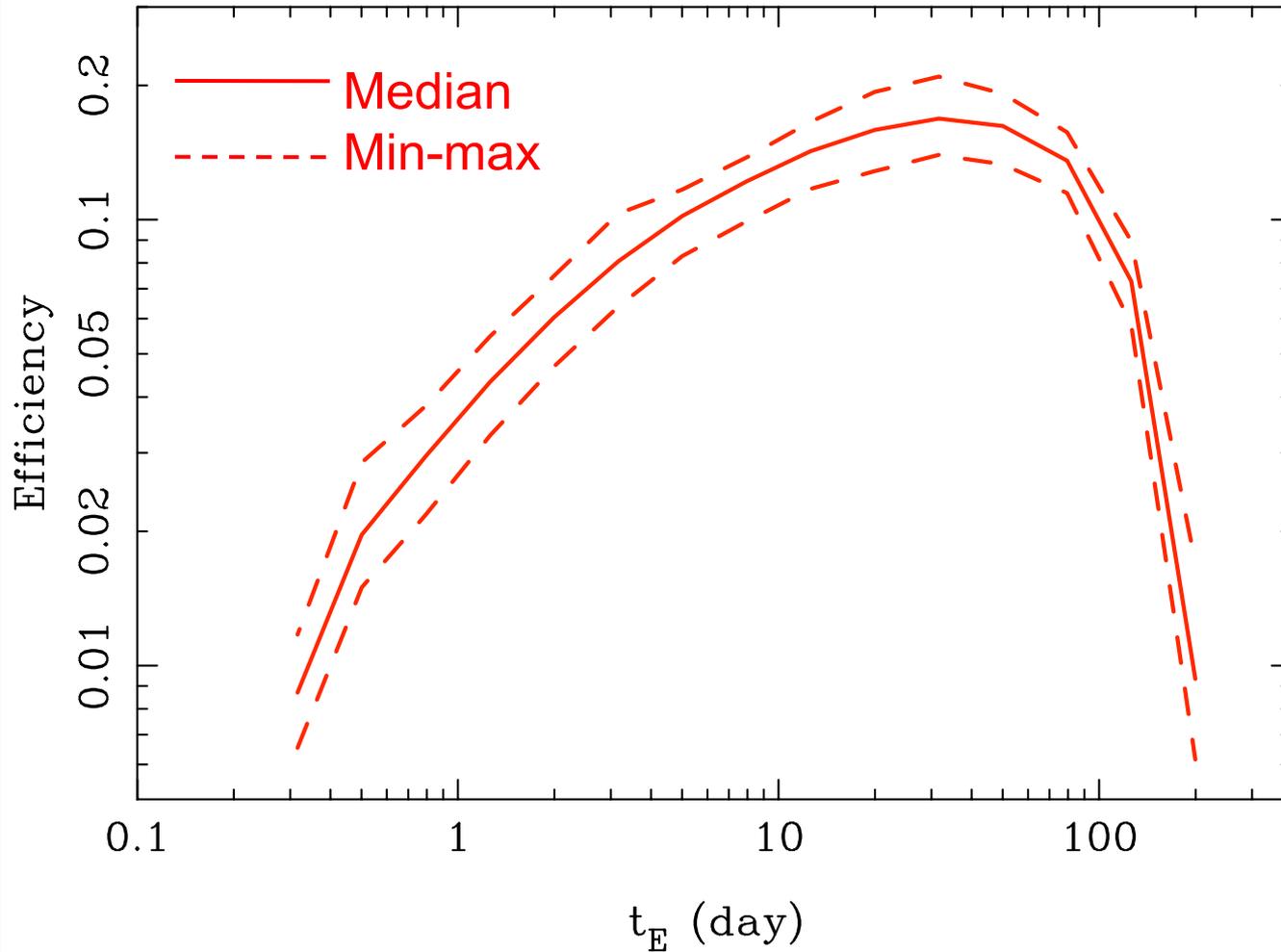
Art image



- Sampling
- noise
- Artifacts
- Nearby bright star,
- Nearby variable star
- Nearby high proper motion star
- Differential refraction

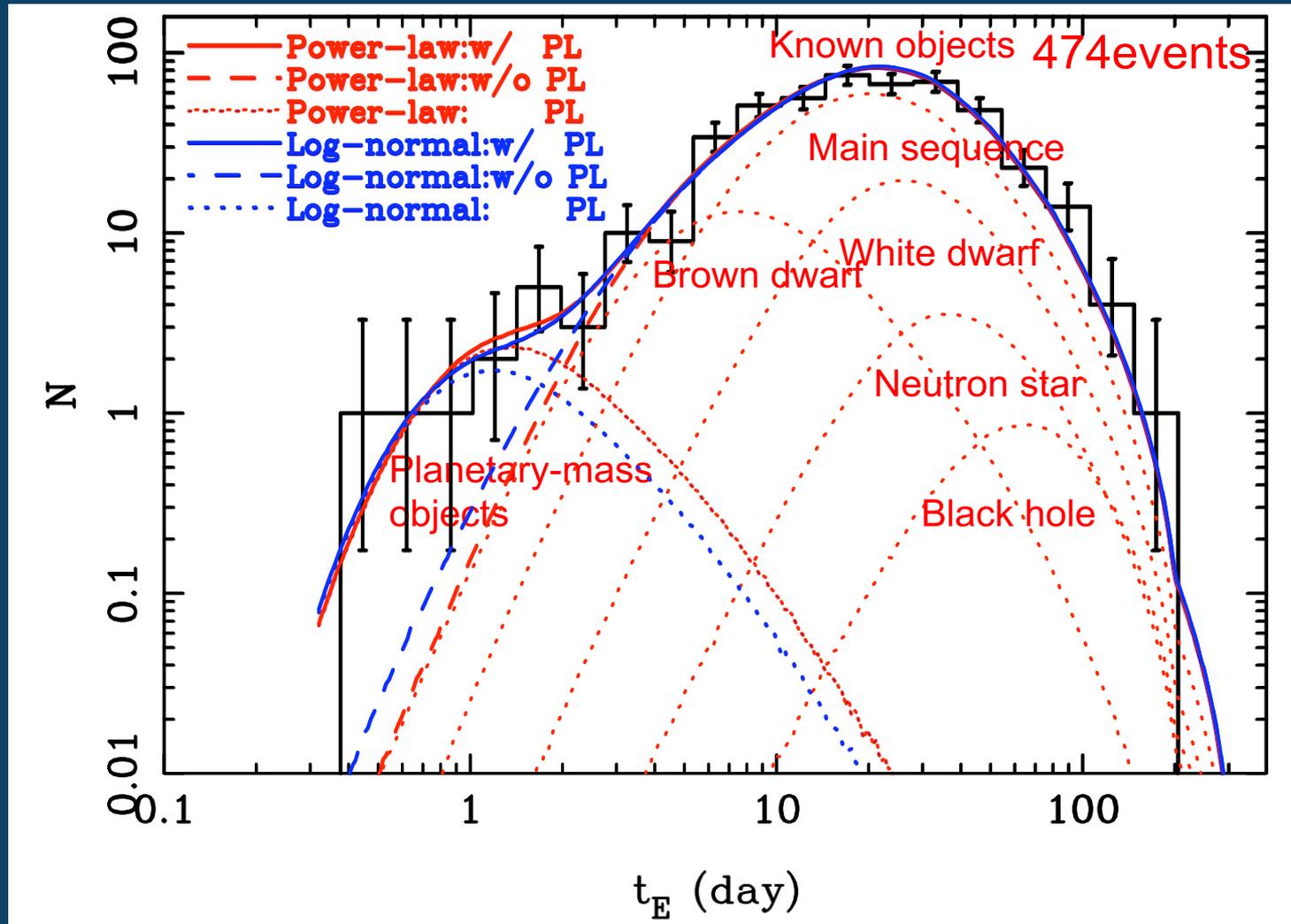


# Detection Efficiency



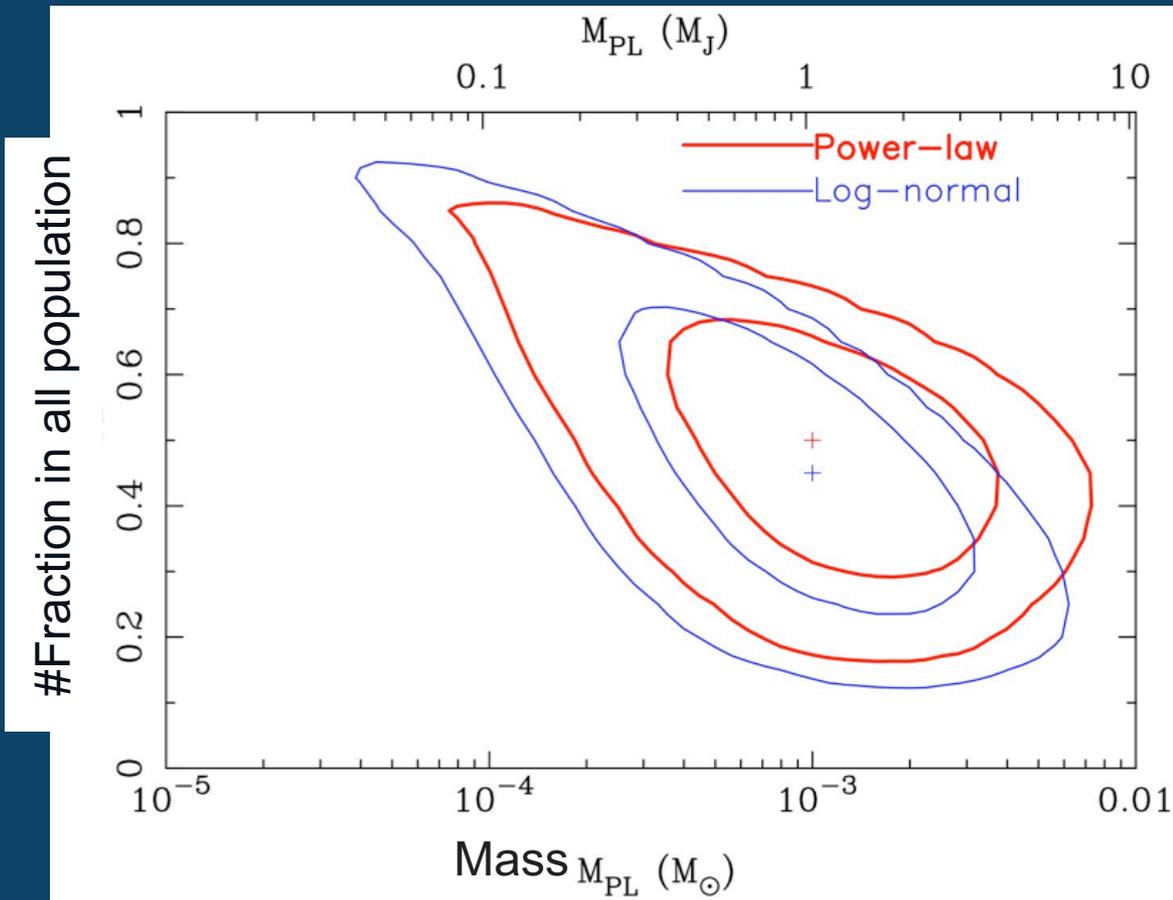
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# Likelihood of Planetary Mass Function Parameters

68%, 90%  
contour

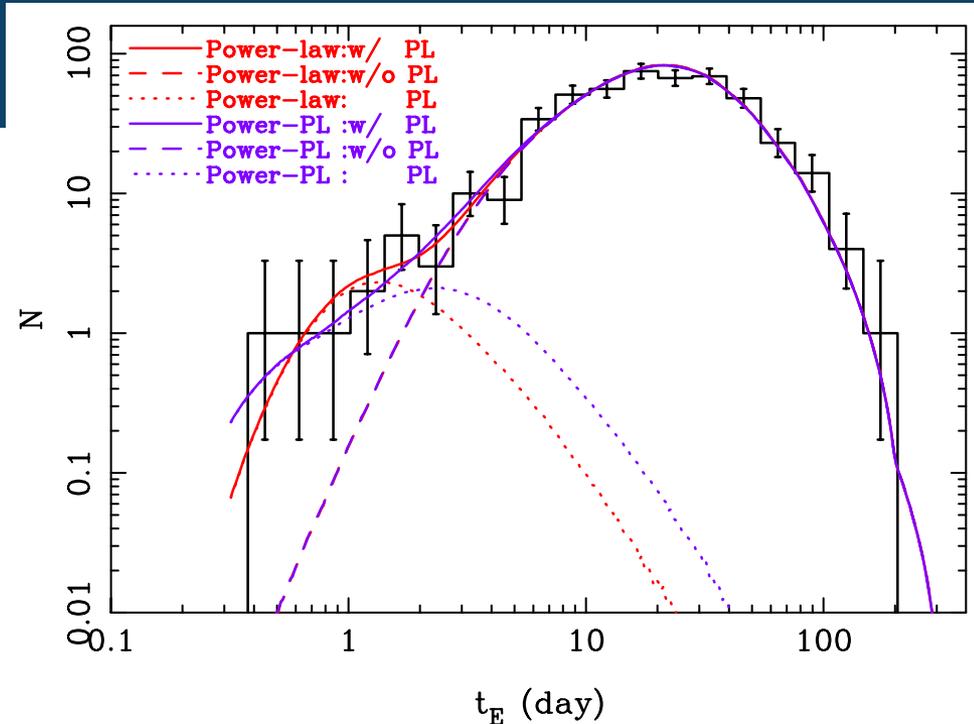
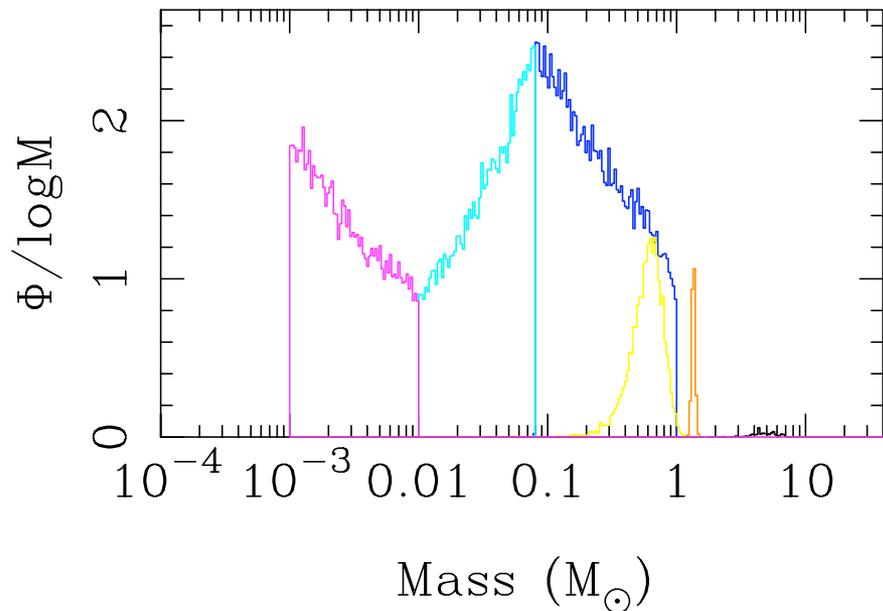


$$N_{planet} = 1.8^{+1.7}_{-0.8} N_{star}$$

$$M_{planet} = 1.1^{+1.2}_{-0.6} M_J$$

0.2-3.5 isolated planets per star

# Power law PL MF



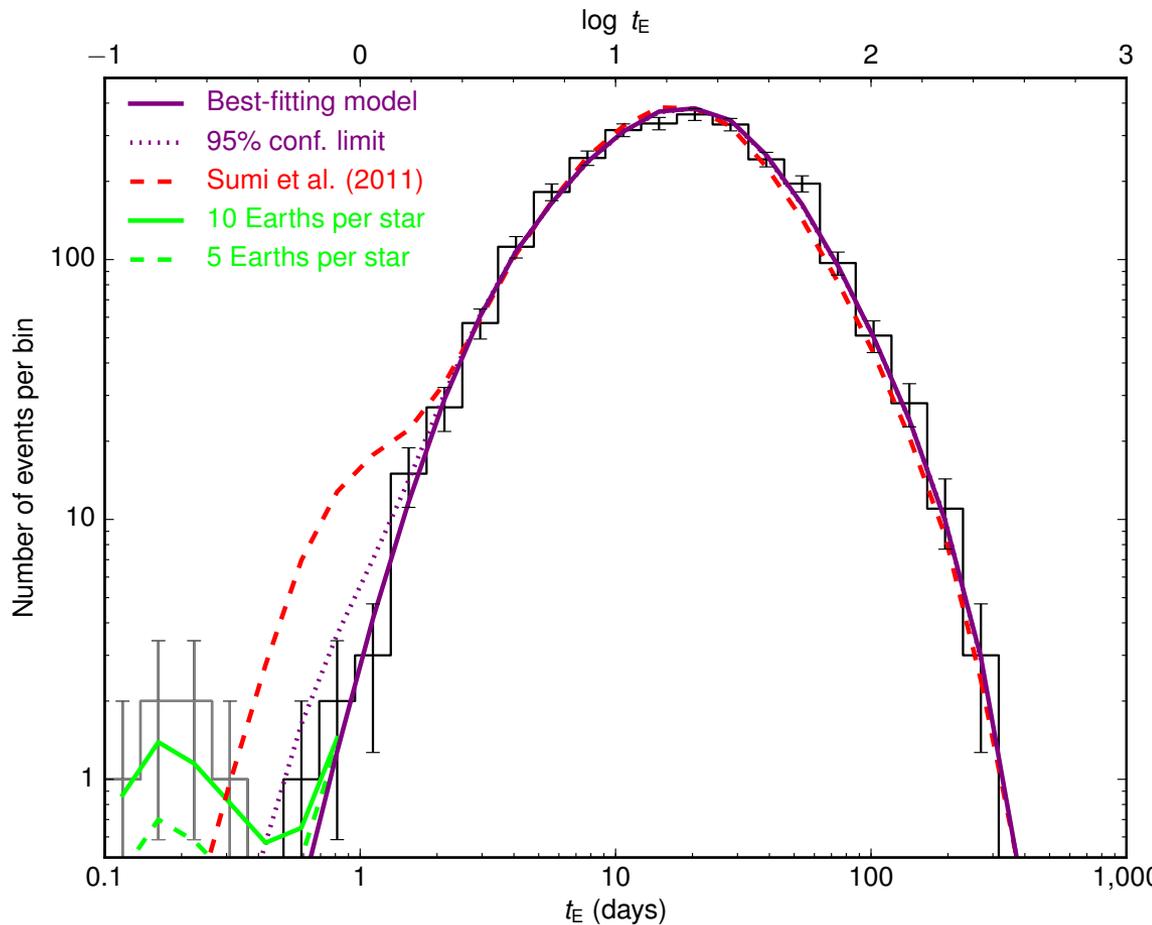
4	$0.08 \leq M$		same as model (1)	
	$0.01 \leq M \leq 0.08$	Power-law**	$\alpha_3 = 0.49^{+0.24}_{-0.27}$ w/ PL	$0.73^{+0.17}_{-0.15}$
	$10^{-5} \leq M \leq 0.01$	Power-law**	$\alpha_{PL} = 1.3^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$ w/ PL	$5.5^{+18.1}_{-4.3}$

Predict Many super Earth.

But still consistent with delta function

# Recent OGLE-IV results

Mróz+2017



Jupiter mass lenses :  
~0.05 x Main sequence  
<1/4 of Main sequence

Six ultra short events  
With  $t_E \sim 0.2$  days  
Super Earth FFP?

Reasons of difference:

1. Statistic ( $2.5-3\sigma$ )
2. Uncertainty in  $t_E$
3. Contamination of short binary
4. OGLE found more BD. 0.9 brown dwarf per MS star compared to 0.7 in MOA

# Where are they?

The galaxy

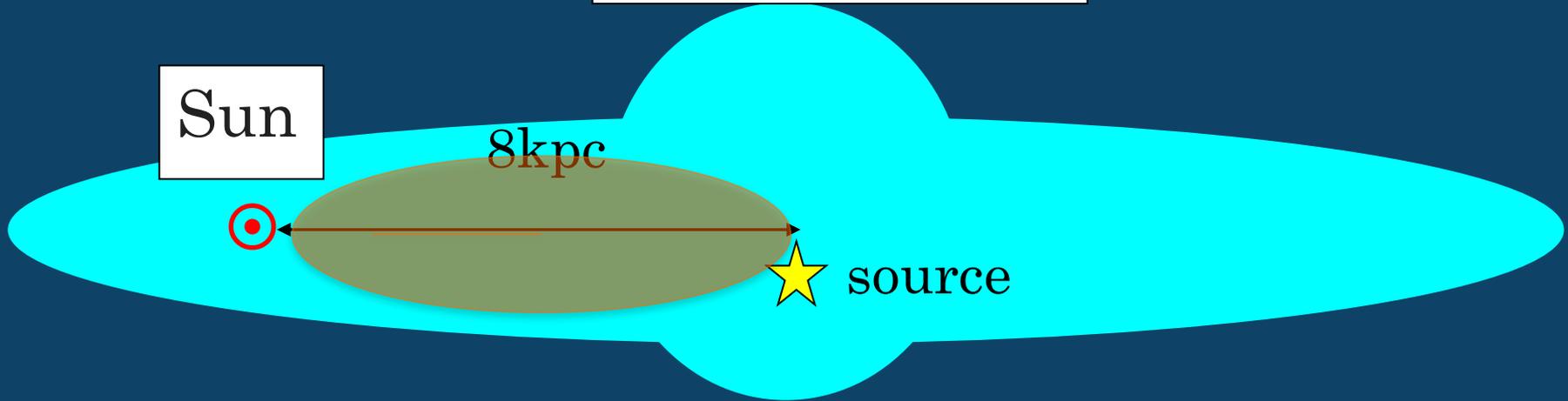
Galactic center

Sun

8kpc

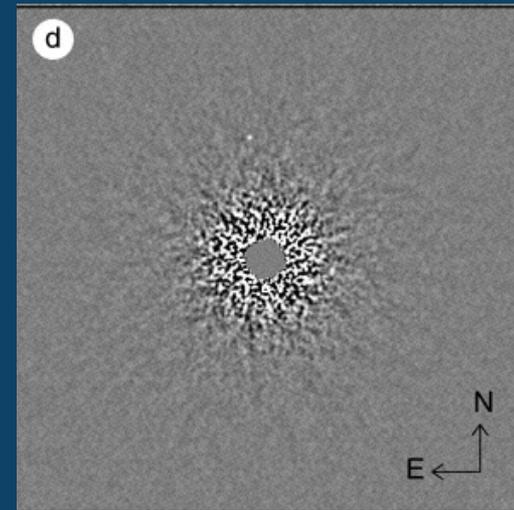
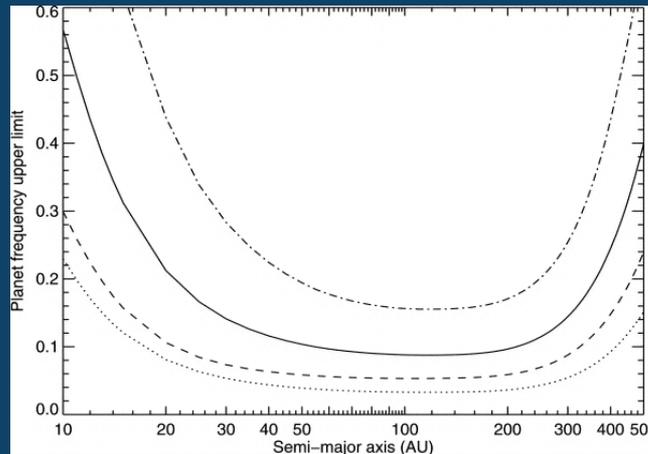
source

Somewhere between Sun  
and the galactic center



# Unbound or distant planets?

- Microlensing data only sets a lower limit on the separation: no host stars within 10AU
  - HST follow-up can set tighter limits or detect host
- 8m telescope, Direct imaging limits (Lafreniere et al. 2007)
  - < 40% of stars have 1 Jupiter-mass planet at  $10 \text{ AU} < a < 500 \text{ AU}$

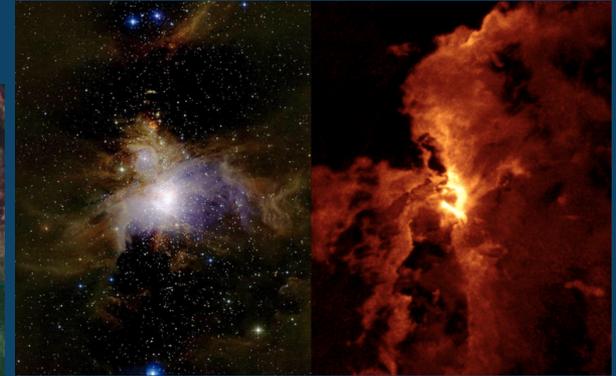


- < 10-16% for  $1-13M_J$  at 10-100AU (Bowler, B.P. 2015)
- They can be bound. But not necessarily.

# Formation Scenarios:

## 1. formed on their own through gas cloud collapse similar to star formation (sub brown dwarf) →

- Hard to form Jupiter-mass objects
- Planetary-mass sub brown dwarf can explain only 1 or 2 short events.
- Abrupt change in mass function at Jupiter-mass do not support this scenario.



## 2. formed around a host star, and scattered out from orbit

Hot Jupiters orbiting hot stars have high obliquities (Winn et al. 2010, Triaud et al. 2010)

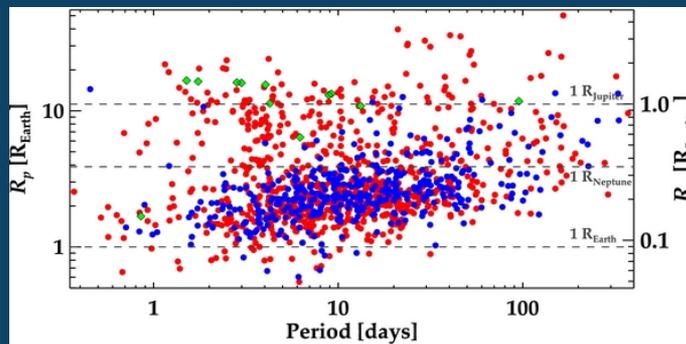
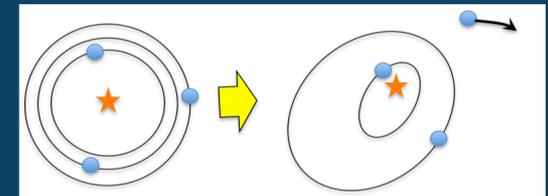
→ evidence of gravitational interaction

Hot Jupiters are alone (Latham et al. 2011)

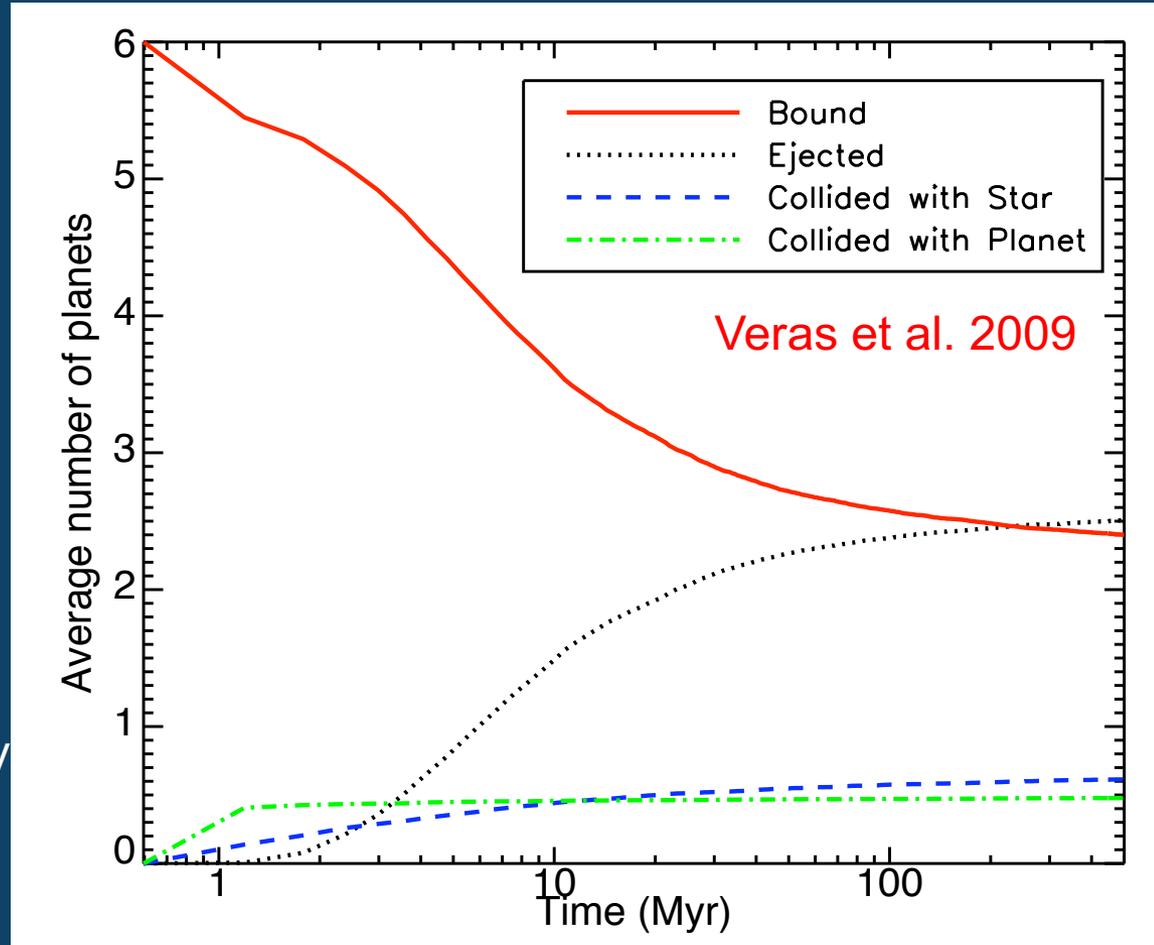
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No desert for short-period super-earths (Howard et al. 2010)

→ planet-disk interactions are of secondary importance to planet-planet scattering



# Simulation of the dynamical effect of planetary system



• half planets ejected after  $10^7$  y

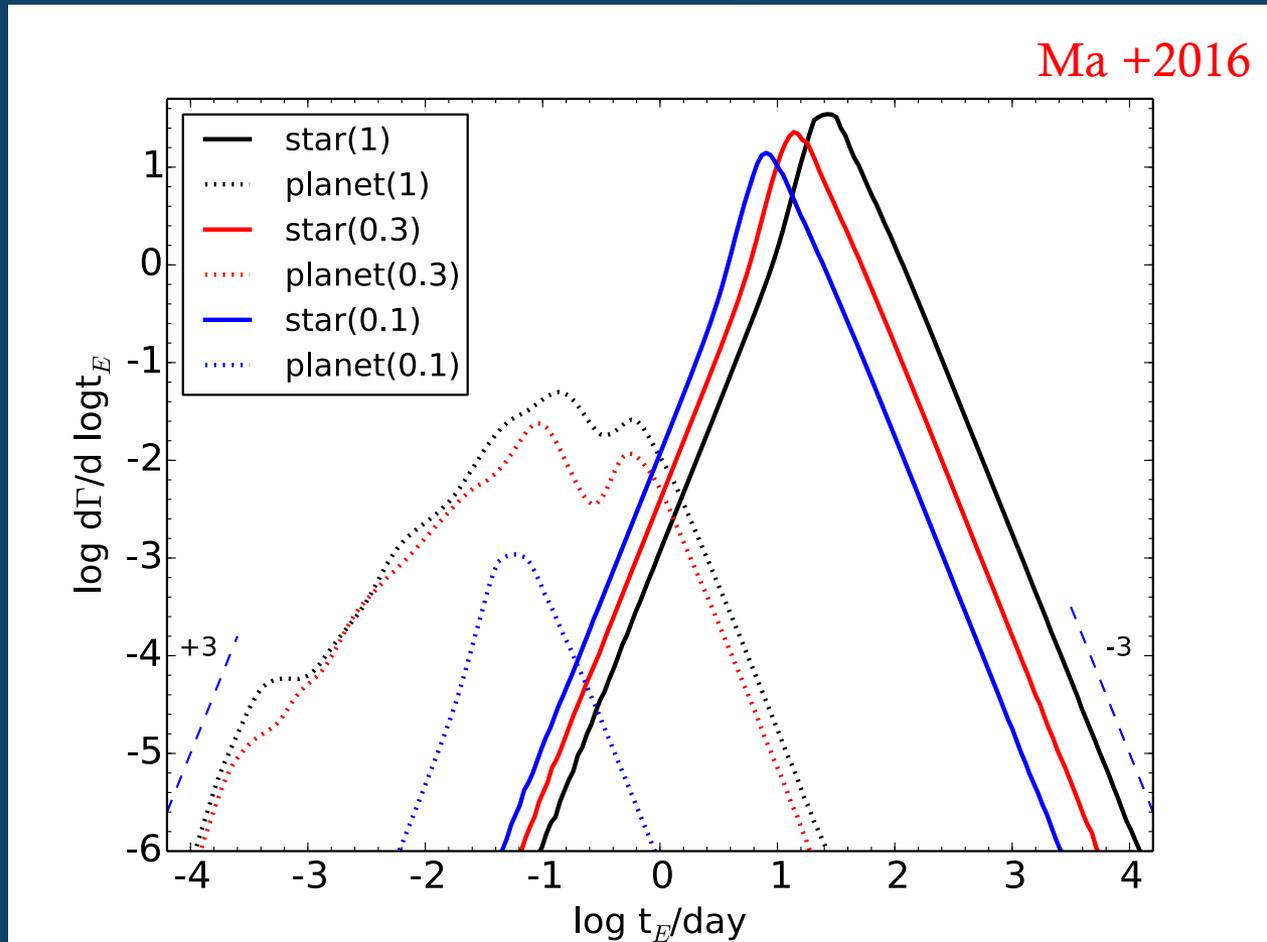


• Free floating



• Microlensing can find

# The event rate as a function $t_E$ of scattered planets



Use Population synthesis by Ida & Lin.

Simulated how many planets are scattered out.

The three solid curves are for the events produced by three stellar masses, 1, 0.3 and  $0.1M_{\odot}$ , respectively. The three corresponding planetary curves (dotted lines) are shown on the left.

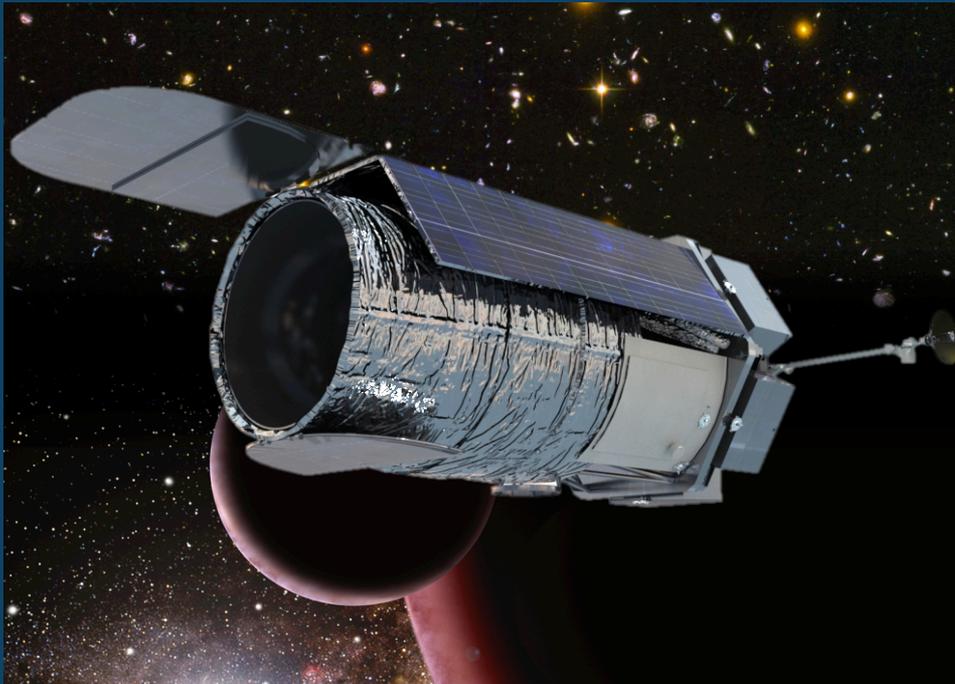
# WFIRST



(Wide Field Infra Red Survey Telescope)

Recommended by Decadal survey astro2010  
NASA's flagship mission following HST, JWST

Launch in 2025



- Dark Energy
- Exoplanet Microlensing
- Exoplanet Coronagraph
- Near Infrared Sky Survey
- Guest Observing Prog.

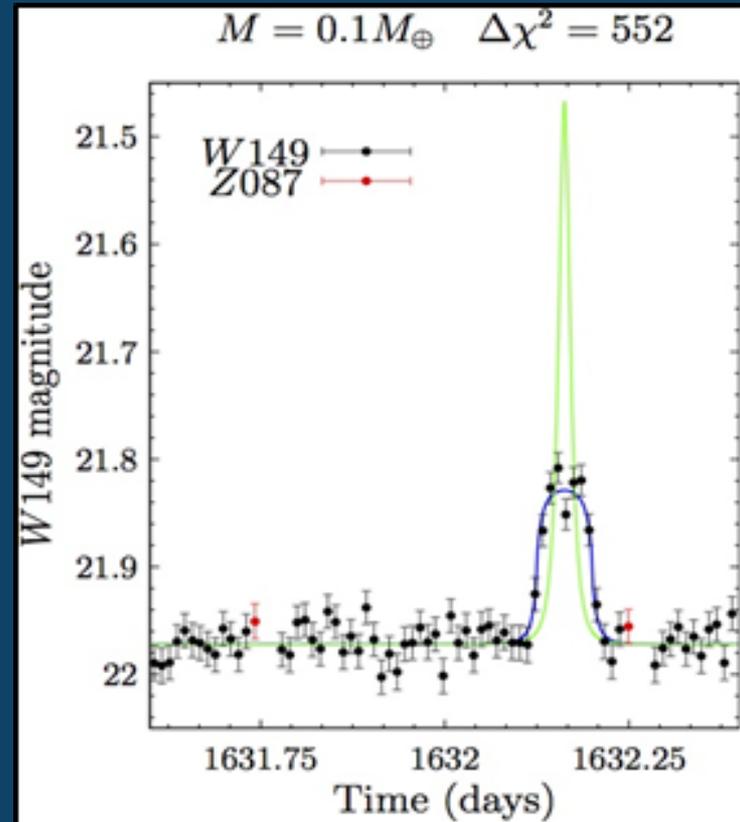
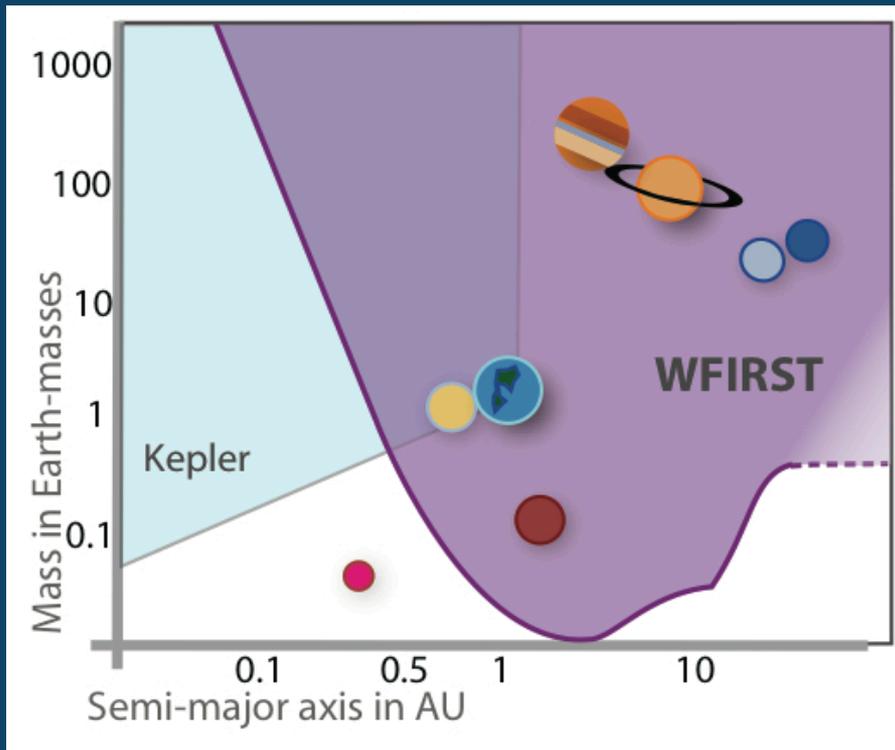
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$\lambda < 2 \mu\text{m}$

FOV: 0.281deg.<sup>2</sup>

# Complete the census of planetary systems

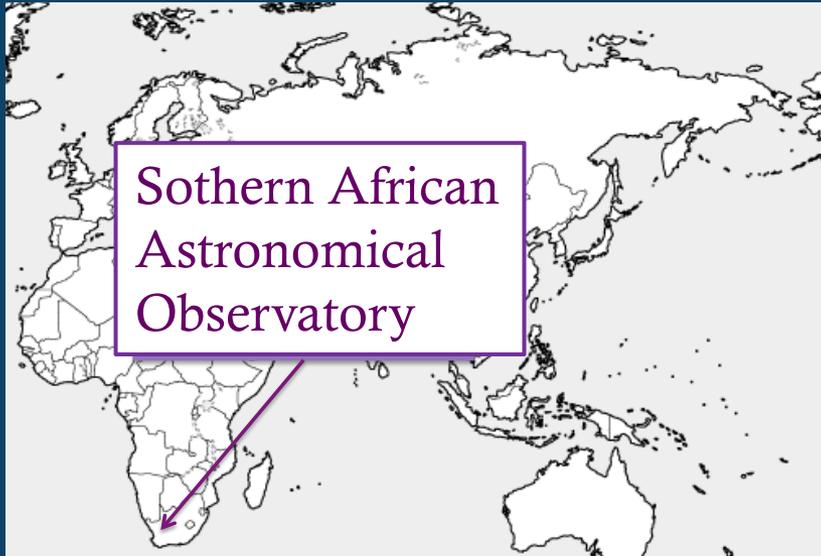
- WFIRST can detect all solar system planet analog except Mercury & FFP



Penny

- 3000 bound planet, 200 ( $< 1 M_{\oplus}$ )
- 2000 free-floating planet, 100 ( $< 1 M_{\oplus}$ )

# PRIME (PRime-focus Infrared Microlensing Experiment) 1.8m Telescope at SAAO



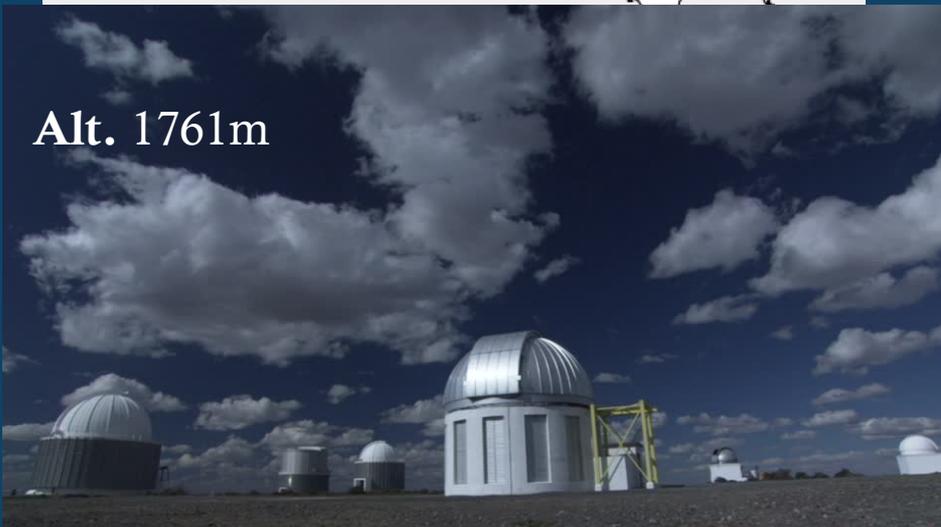
Southern African  
Astronomical  
Observatory

Diameter: 1.8m, (f/2.29)

FOV:  $1.25^\circ \times 1.25^\circ = 1.56 \text{deg}^2 (0.5''/\text{pix})$

(6x full moon) **World Largest FOV**

H-band



Alt. 1761m



Expected picture

# More events & planets in NIR at G.C.

Optical

G.C.

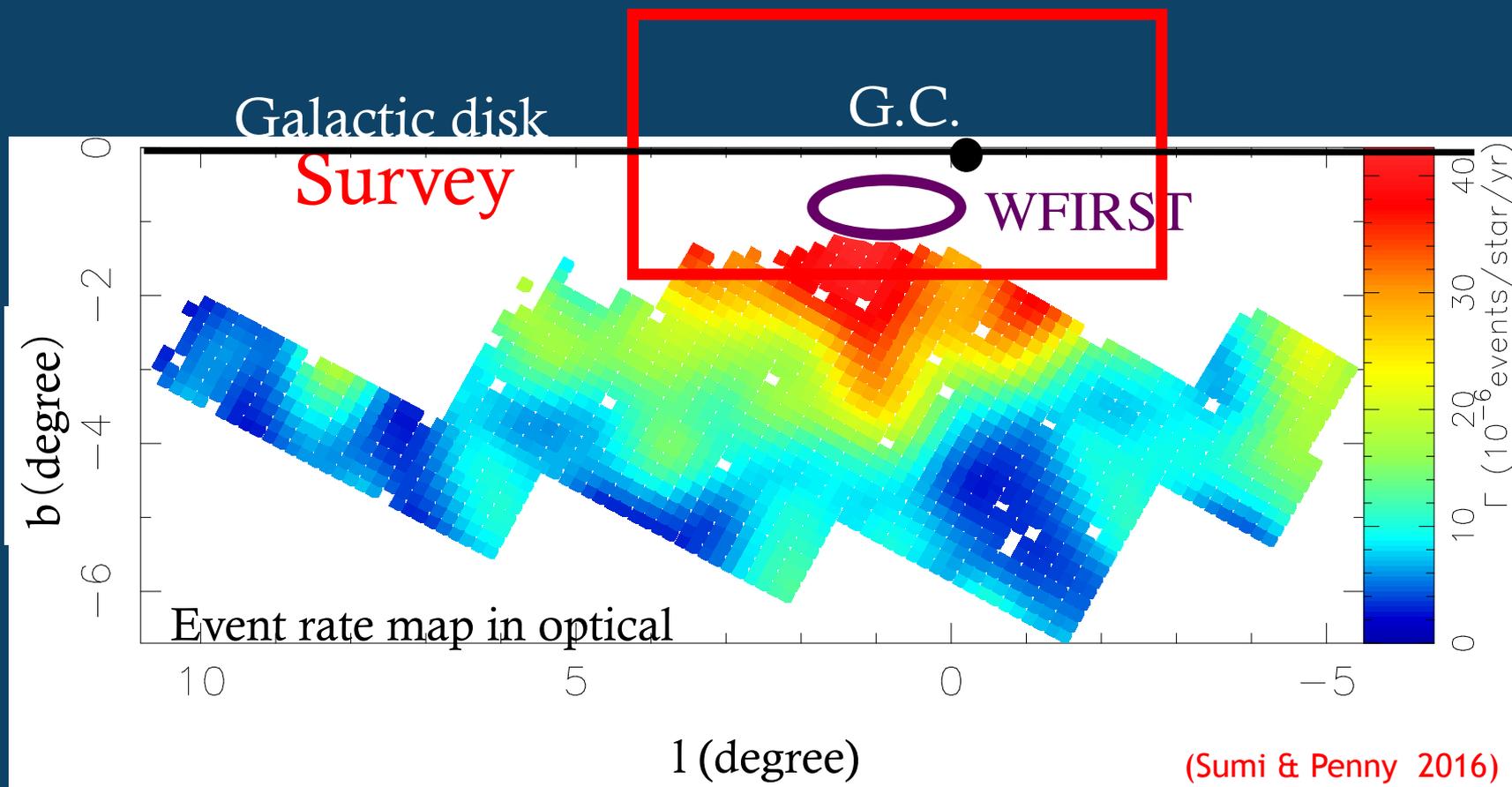
disk

Galactic bulge is highly obscured.

NIR

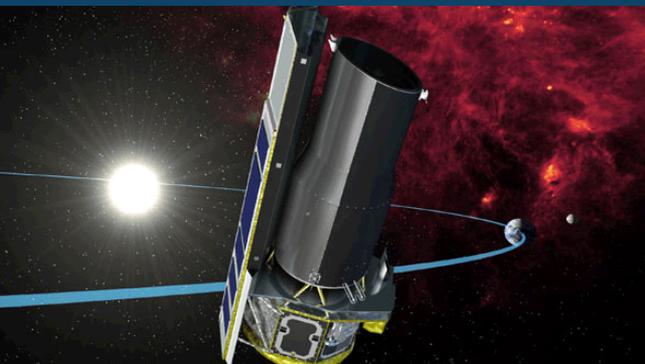
- Microlensing Exoplanets ( $\sim 50\%$ )
  - ◆ More stars & more events at GC.  
( $\sim 2400$  events/yr,  $\sim 12$  planets/yr)
  - ◆ Planet frequency at GC.
  - ◆ Select WFIRST fields.
  - ◆ Concurrent observation with WFIRST to measure lens mass.
  - ◆ Mass Function at GC (planet-Black Hole)
- Other sciences ( $\sim 50\%$ )

# Study the galactic structure & Optimize WFIRST microlensing survey fields by mapping the event rate in NIR



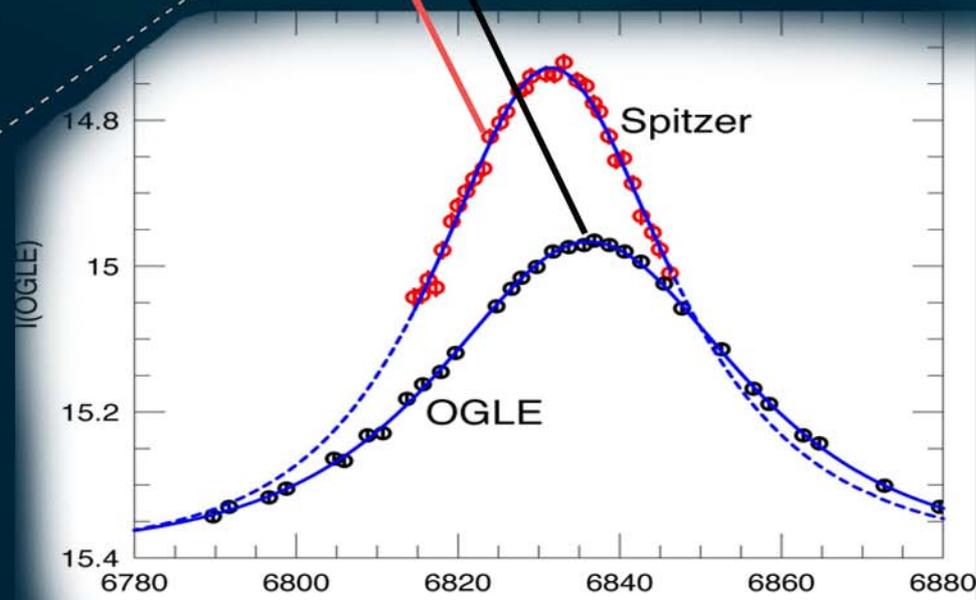
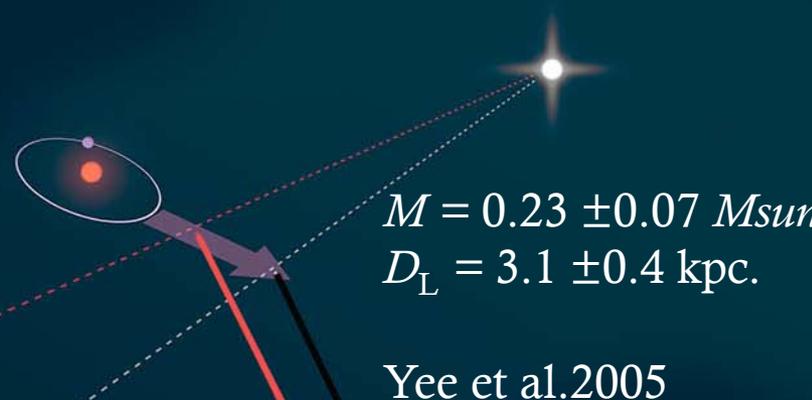
Event rate vary by a factor of 2 (peak is at  $l=1^\circ$ )

# Simultaneous Ground-Space monitoring with Spitzer



We can do same observations with WFIRST

Spitzer



# Projected Einstein Radius

Earth-L2 separation.  $\sim 0.01\text{AU}$

Table 3. Projected physical Einstein radius  $\tilde{r}_E$  [AU] for a grid of  $(D_\ell, M_\ell)^a$

Lens Type	$M_\ell [M_\odot]$	$D_\ell$ [kpc]						
		1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	6.0	7.0
Black hole	10	9.64	14.73	19.76	25.51	32.93	44.18	67.49
G Dwarf	1	3.05	4.66	6.25	<b>8.07</b>	10.41	13.97	21.34
M Dwarf	0.3	1.67	2.55	3.42	<b>4.42</b>	5.70	7.65	11.69
M Dwarf	0.1	0.96	1.47	1.98	2.55	3.29	4.42	6.75
Brown Dwarf	0.01	0.30	0.47	0.62	0.81	1.04	1.40	2.13
Jupiter	0.001	0.10	0.15	0.20	0.26	0.33	0.44	0.67

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<sup>a</sup>Assuming a source star distance of  $D_s = 8$  kpc.

**WFIRST+PRIME can constrain the mass of FFP  
by space-base parallax**

# Summary

- Microlensing can detect Free-Floating planets
- Giant Free-floating planets are less than 1/4 of main sequence stars. (OGLE)
- Earth/Super Earth mass FFP may be common (OGLE)
- They inform us not only the number of planets that survived in orbit, but also planets that formed earlier and scattered.

→ important for planetary formation theory

## ● WFIRST will detect

- ~3000 bound exoplanets with ~200 w/  $M < 1 M_{\oplus}$ ,
- ~2000 Free-floating planets with ~100 w/  $M < 1 M_{\oplus}$
- Constrain Mass of FFP by space-base parallax with PRIME