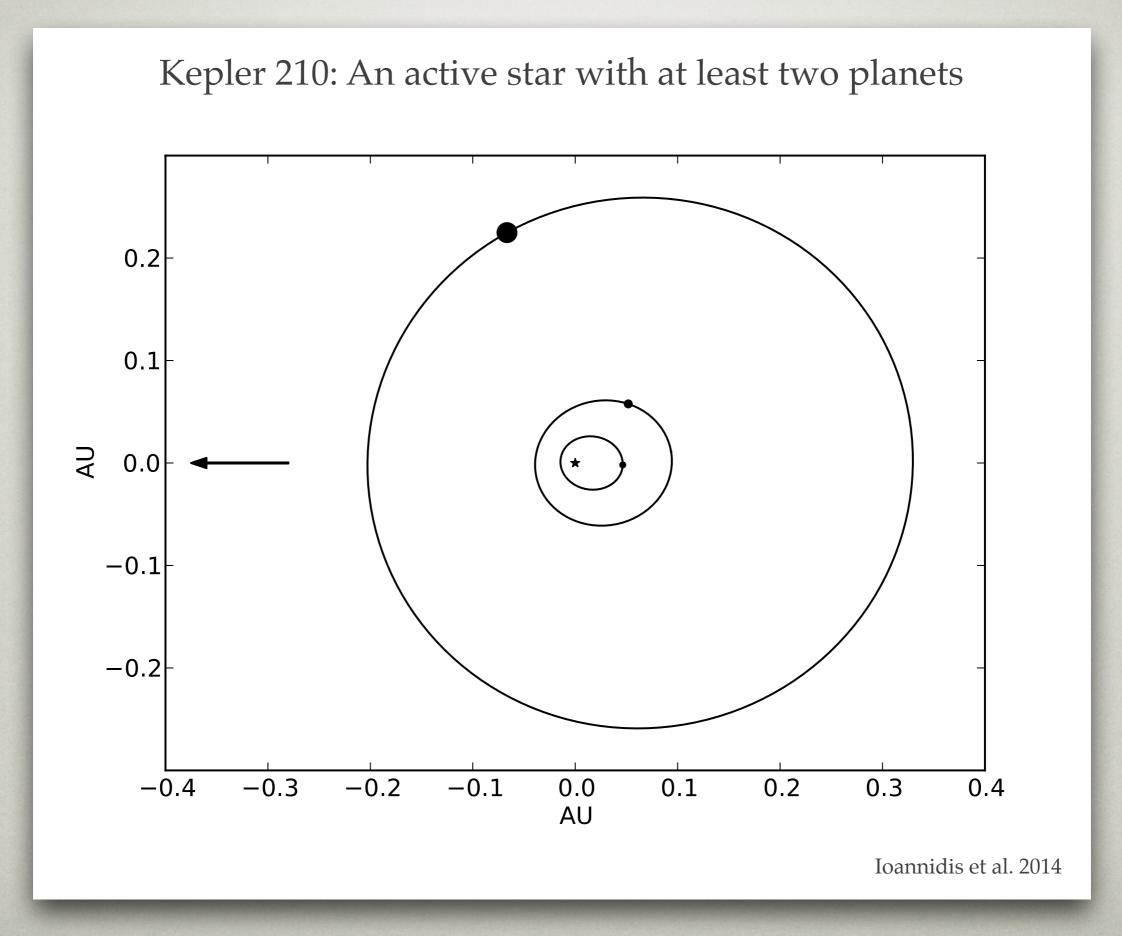
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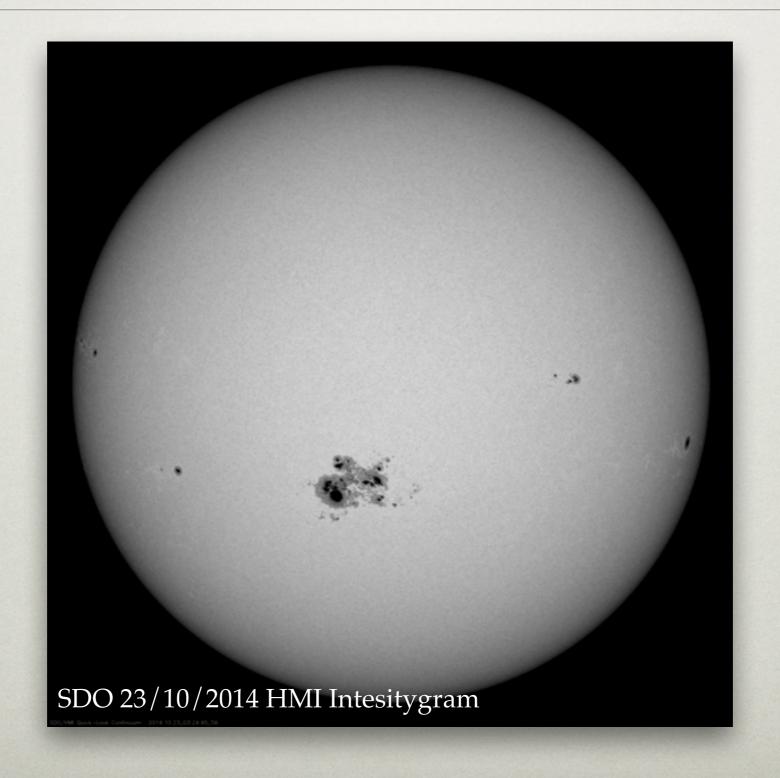
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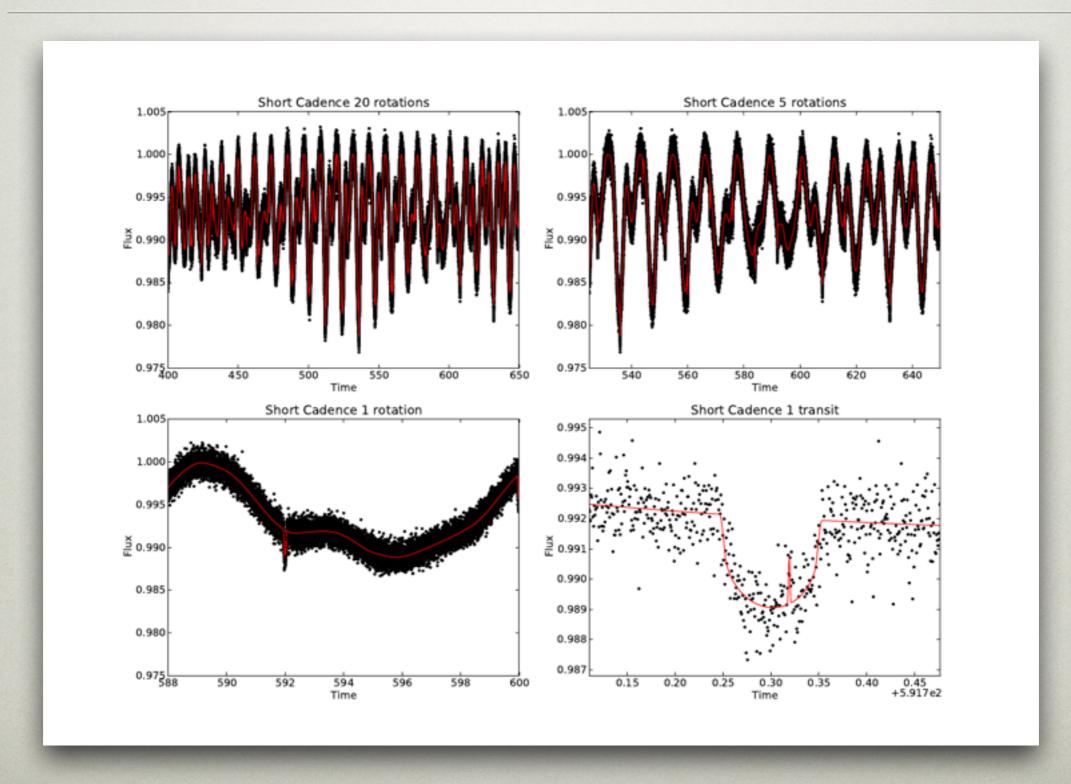


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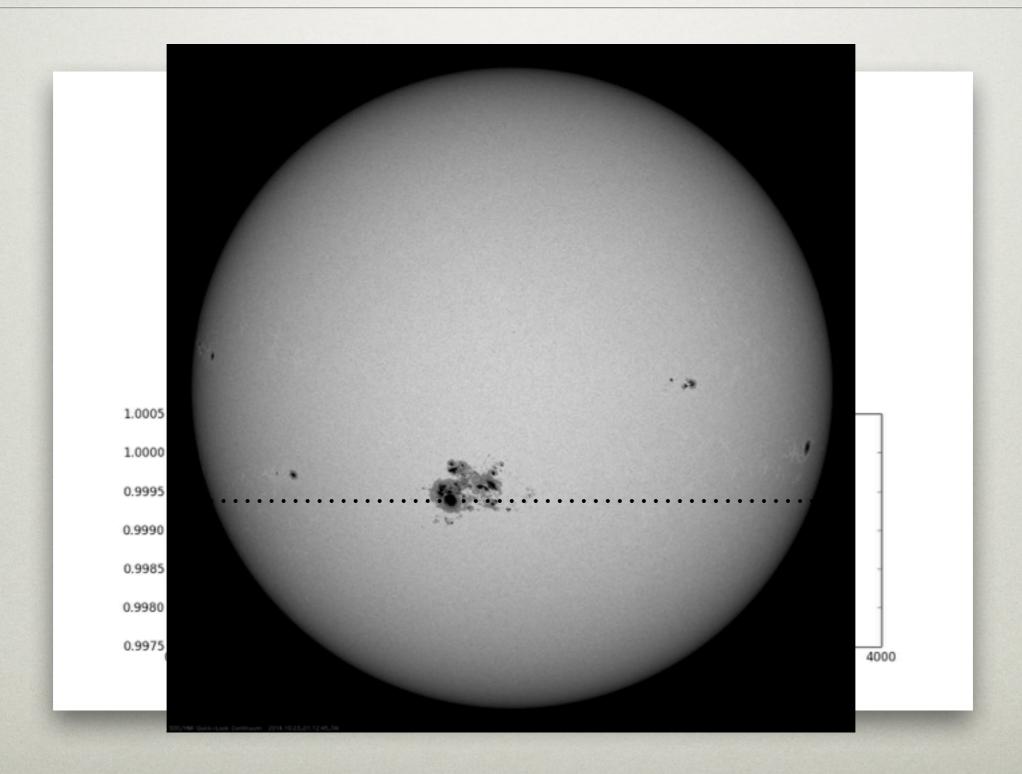
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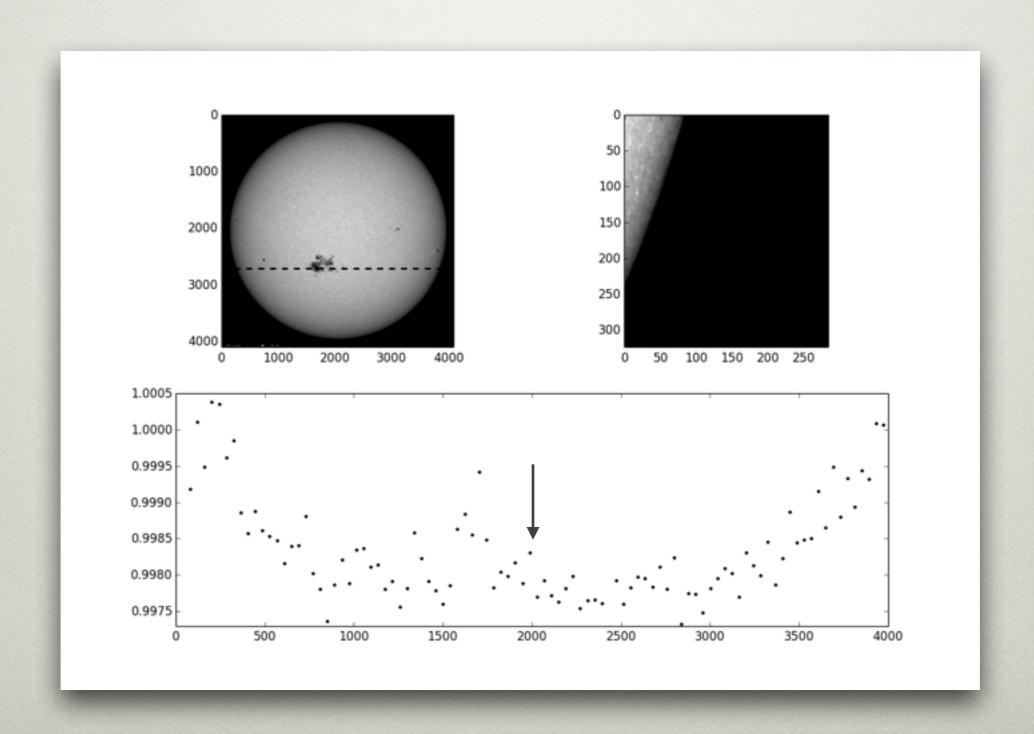
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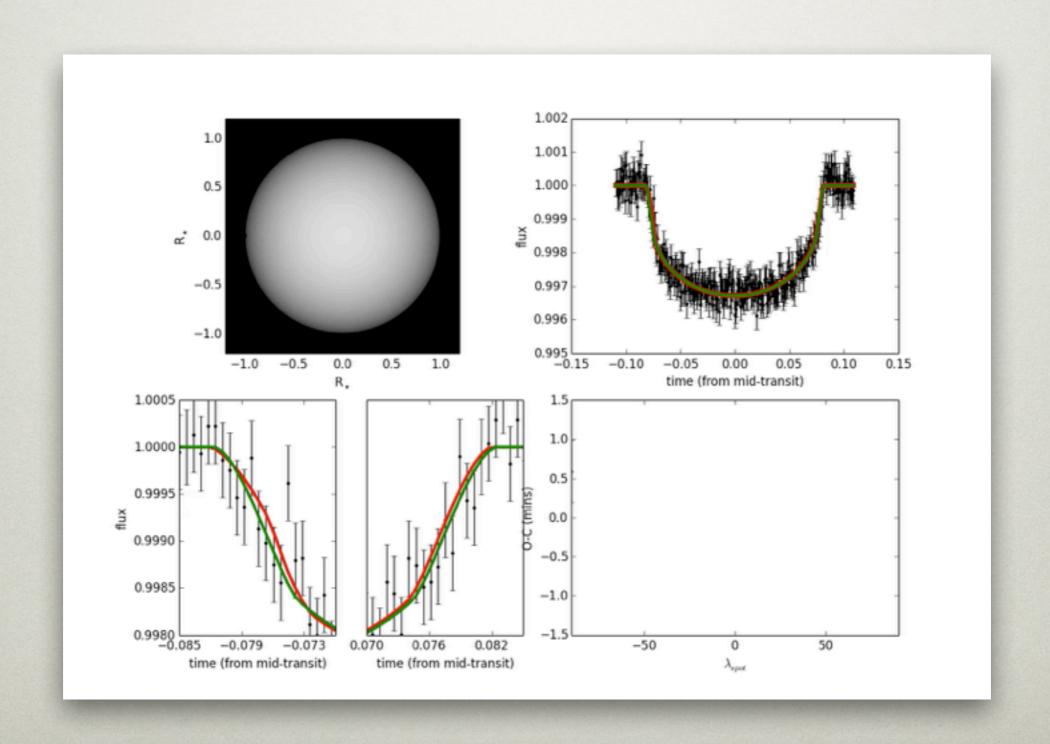
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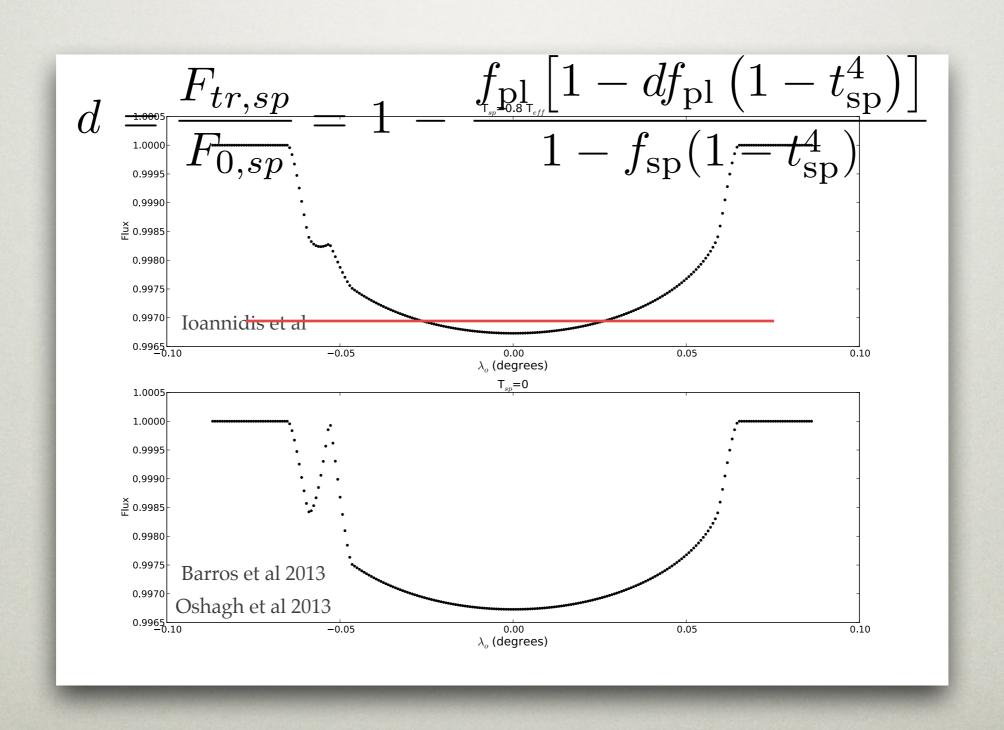
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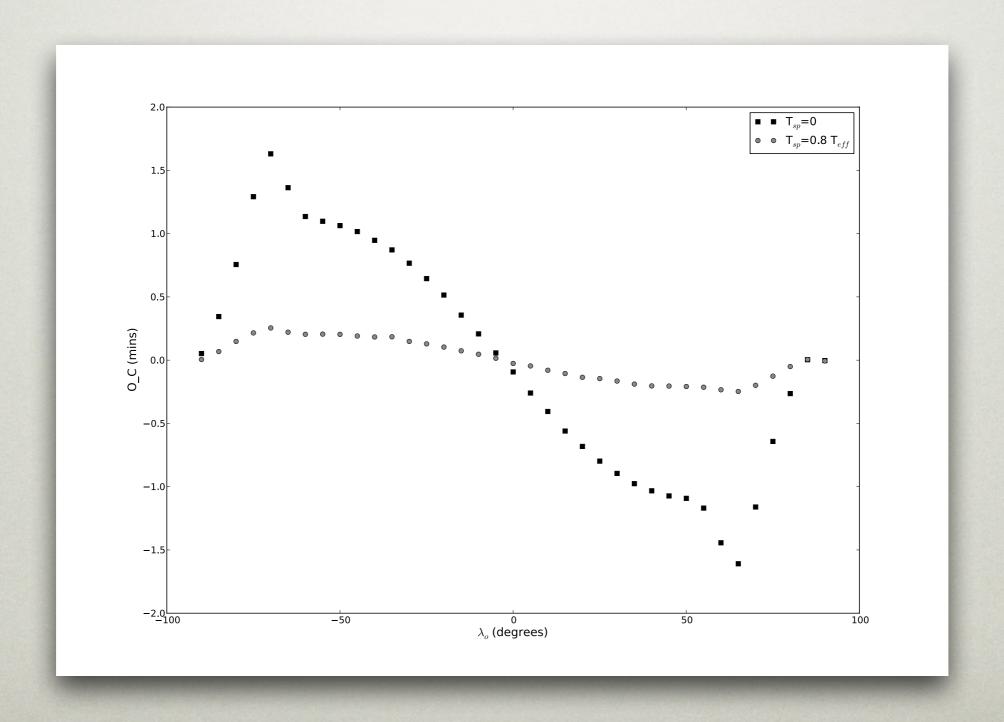
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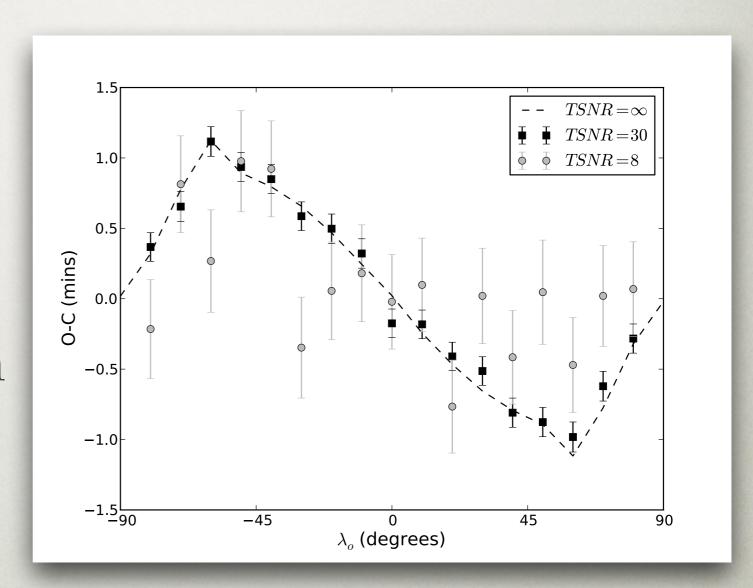
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Impact factor b



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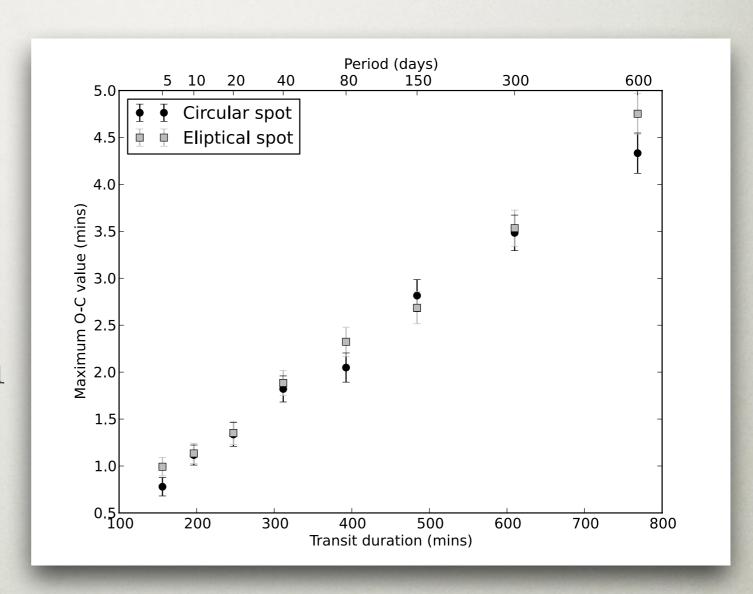
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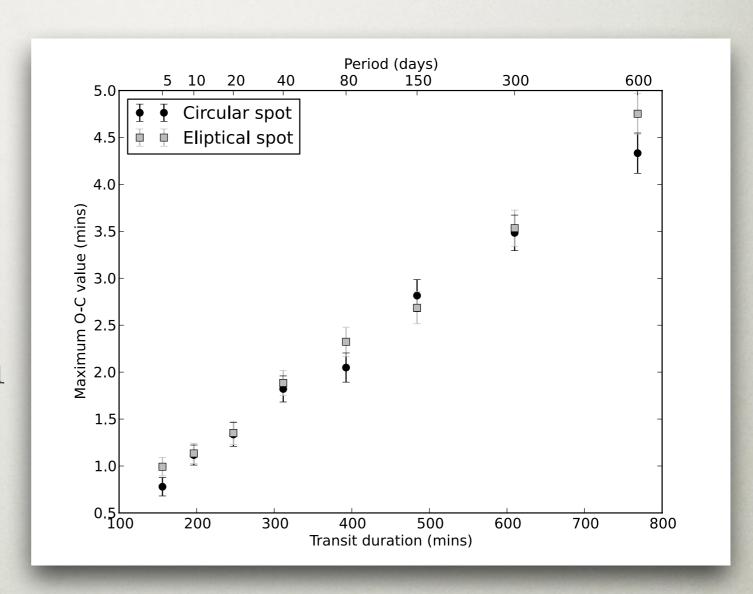
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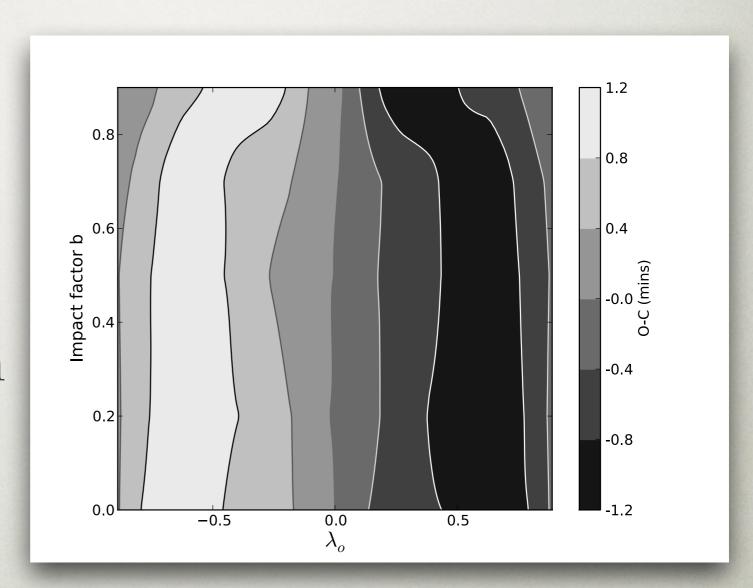
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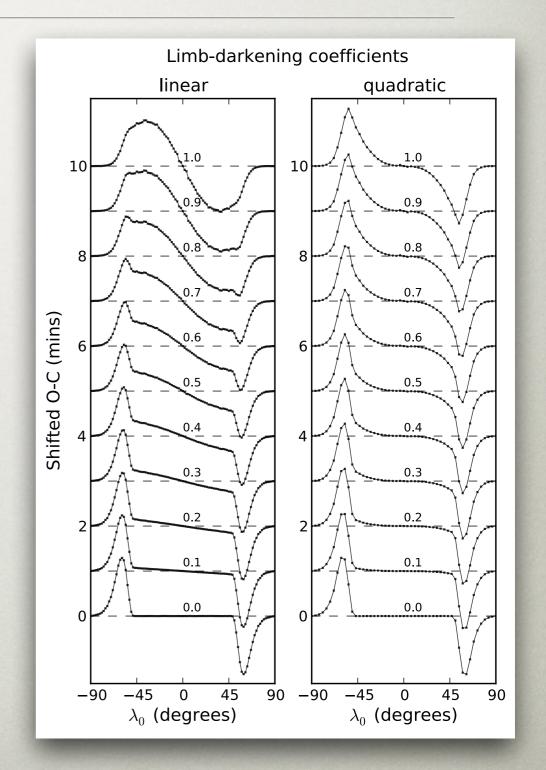
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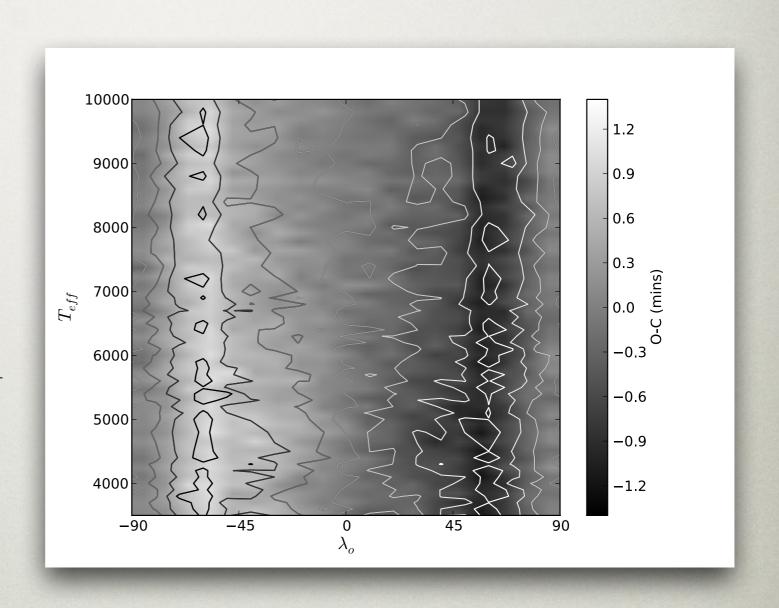
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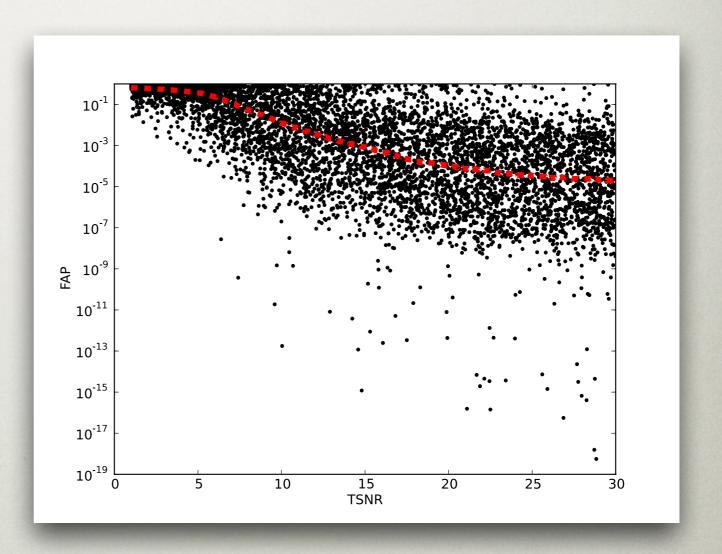
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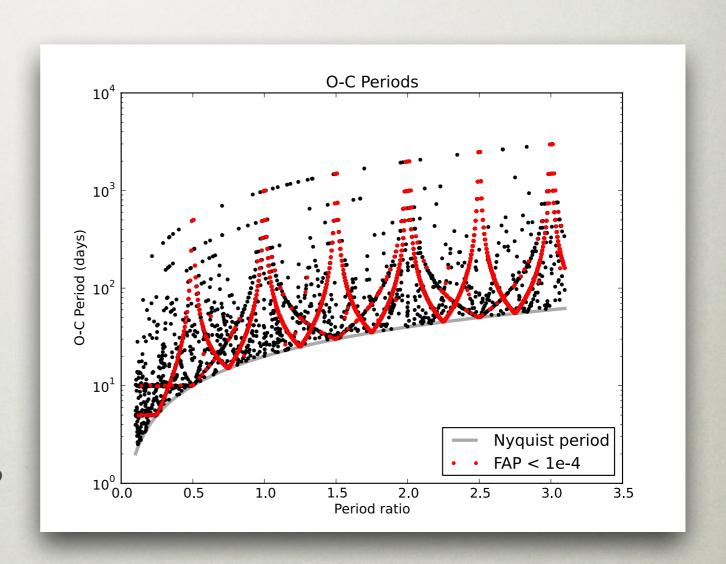


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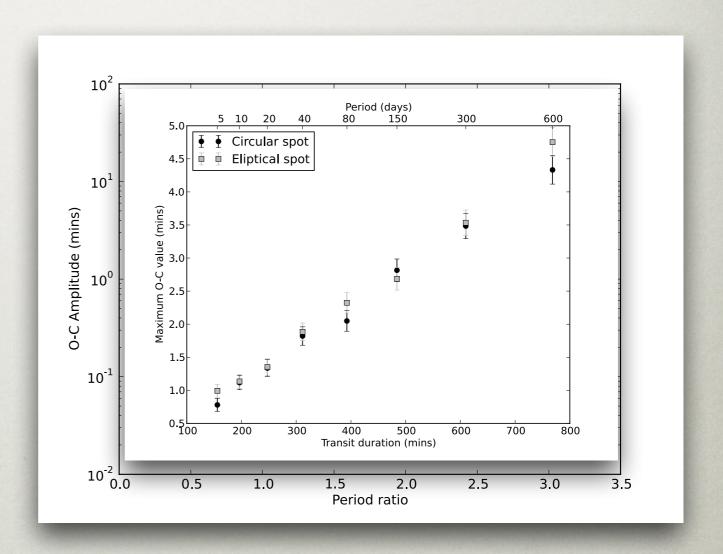


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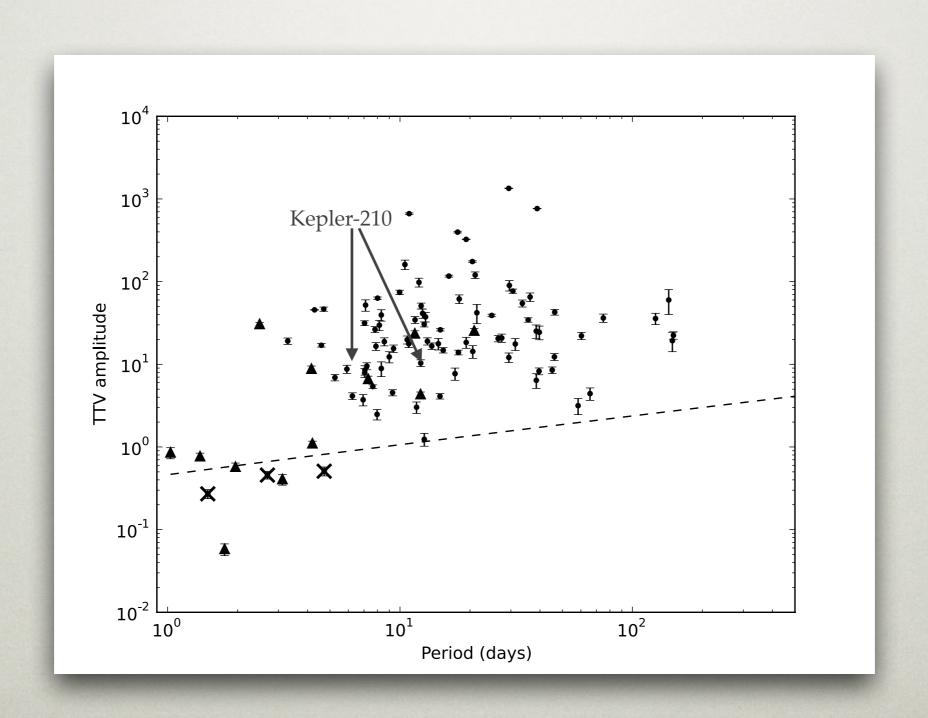
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# SUMMARY

- Activity (spots) can affect the measurement of TTVs of planets
- It is related to the transit duration and TSNR
- It is less dependent from the impact factor and the T<sub>eff</sub> of the star
- The fake TTVs are not accompanied by relative errors
- There is a limit between 1 to 4 mins over which the spots can only disturb and not totally fake TTVs

