

TraMoS: Transit Monitoring in the South

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Transit Timing Variations

TraMoS Project

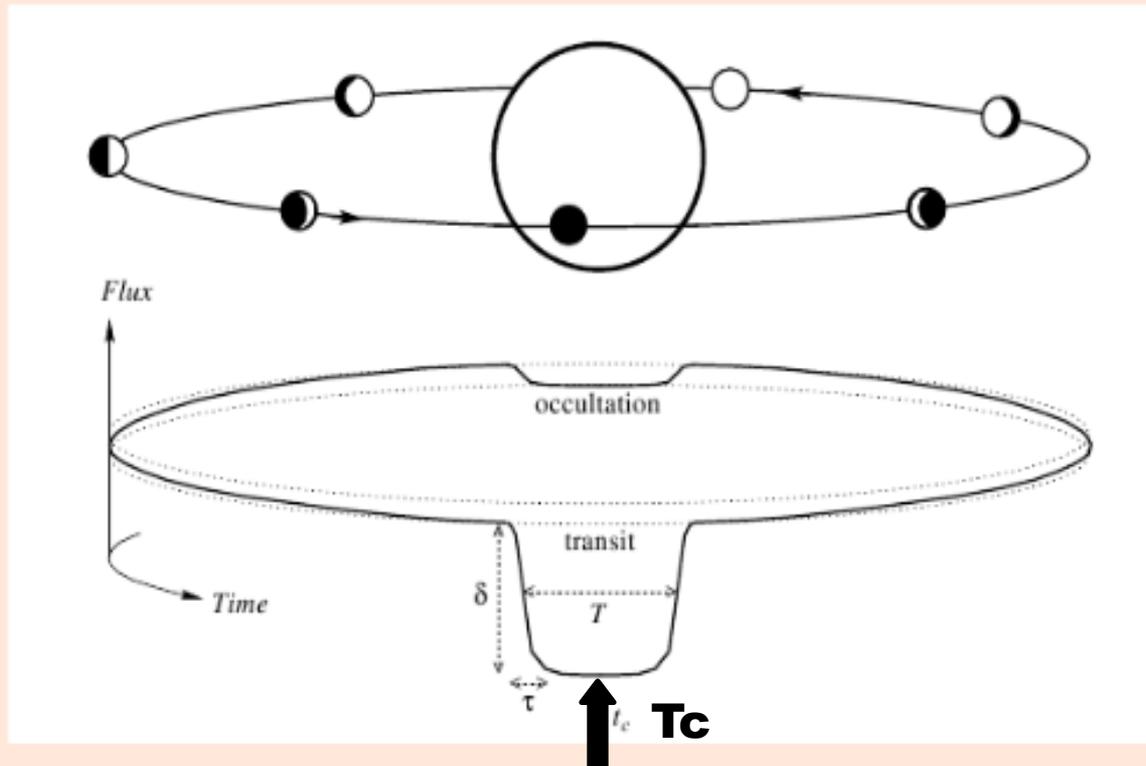
- Observations
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Transit Timing Variations

- Gravitational Perturbations induced by the presence of unseen orbital companions in the system produce variations in the orbital elements of the transiting body.

→ Variations in the orbital Period



Transit Timing Variations (TTVs)

A technique sensitive to detect objects down to
Earth-mass regime

(Miralda-Escude et al. 2002, Agol et al. 2005, Holman & Murray 2005)

TTVs can have amplitudes of several minutes
(fully detectables)

especially when perturber is in orbital resonances

TTVs Today

- Now is an intensively used technique:
 - Kepler + CoRot

- Several recent results → Kepler

- Several TTVs Candidates by ground-based observations but no conclusive results (yet)

Kepler-9 (2010)

Kepler-11 (2011)

Kepler-16 (2011)

Kepler-18 (2011)

Kepler-19 (2011)

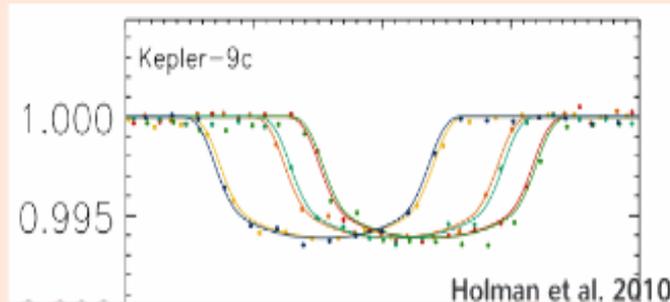
Kepler-23...Kepler-33
(26 planets)

(2012)

TraMoS: Transit Monitoring in the South

GOALS

- Refine physical parameters of the transiting exoplanets
- Perform a homogeneous monitoring of transiting exoplanets
- Search for (short/long-term) variations in the light curve parameters:



Mid-Time
Transit Duration
Transit Depth

via high cadence photometric observations (15 - 50 seconds)

(First Transit Monitoring Project of the Southern Hemisphere)

TraMoS: Observations

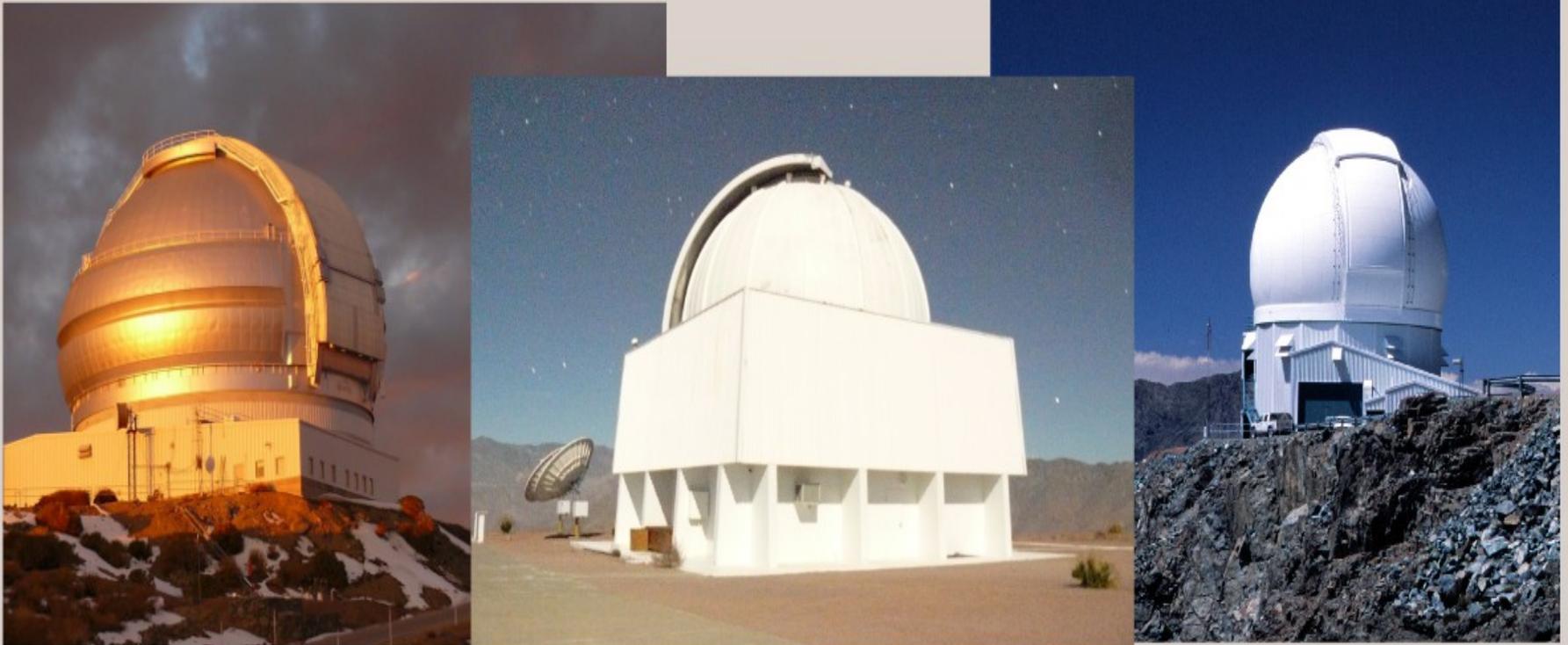
1m - SMARTS: Y4KCam

Gemini: GMOS-South

SOAR: SOI

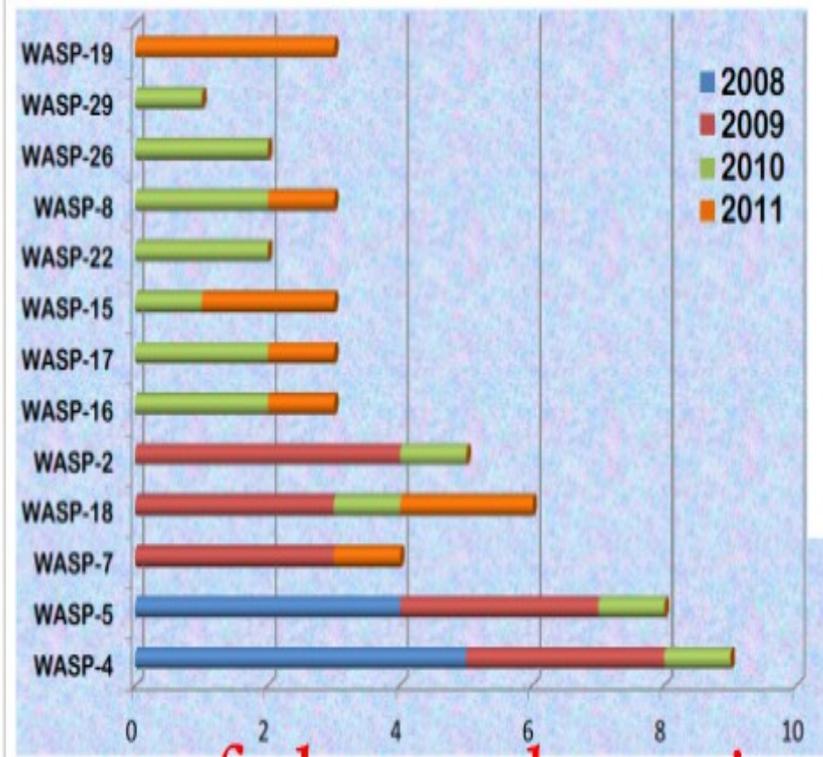
VLT: FORS1/2

+ 0.6m telescopes (remote observing)



More than 70 transits have been observed for more than 20 systems

Planet	Date	Telescope	Planet	Date	Telescope
OGLE-TR-111b	2008-04-26	VLT	OGLE-TR-113b	2008-12-19	Gemini-S
	2008-04-30	VLT		2008-12-29	Gemini-S
	2008-05-04	VLT		2009-01-21	Gemini-S
	2008-05-12	VLT		2009-02-20	Gemini-S
	2008-05-20	VLT		2009-02-23	Gemini-S
OGLE-TR-132b	2009-12-25	Gemini-S	OGLE2-TR-L9	2009-12-18	Gemini-S
	2010-01-16	Gemini-S		2009-12-28	Gemini-S
	2010-01-21	Gemini-S			
	2010-02-12	Gemini-S			
	2010-03-16	Gemini-S			
OGLE-TR-56b	2009-04-28	Gemini-S	OGLE-TR-10	2009-09-06	Gemini-S
GJ 1214b	2010-04-28	SOAR			



of observed transits

I. OGLE-TR-111b

Hoyer et al. 2011

III. WASP-4b

**Hoyer et al. 2012
(Submitted)**



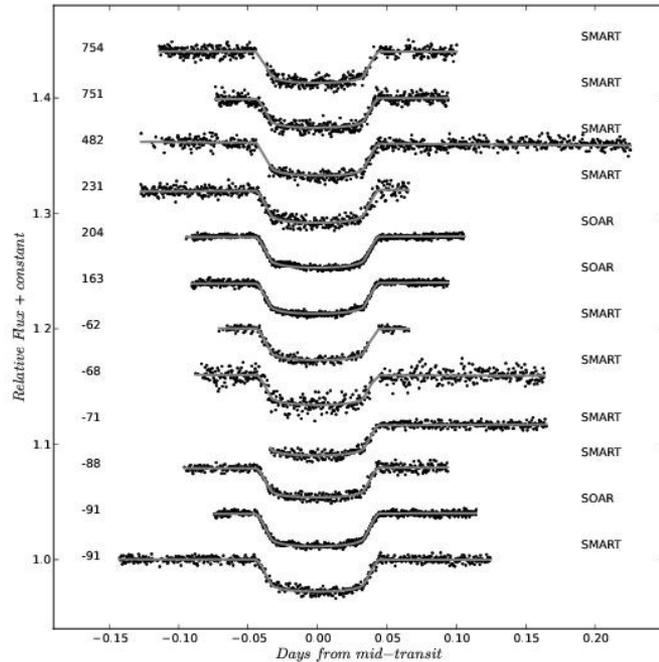
Results

II. WASP-5b

Hoyer et al. 2012

Follow-up of 3 Hot Jupiters

WASP-4b



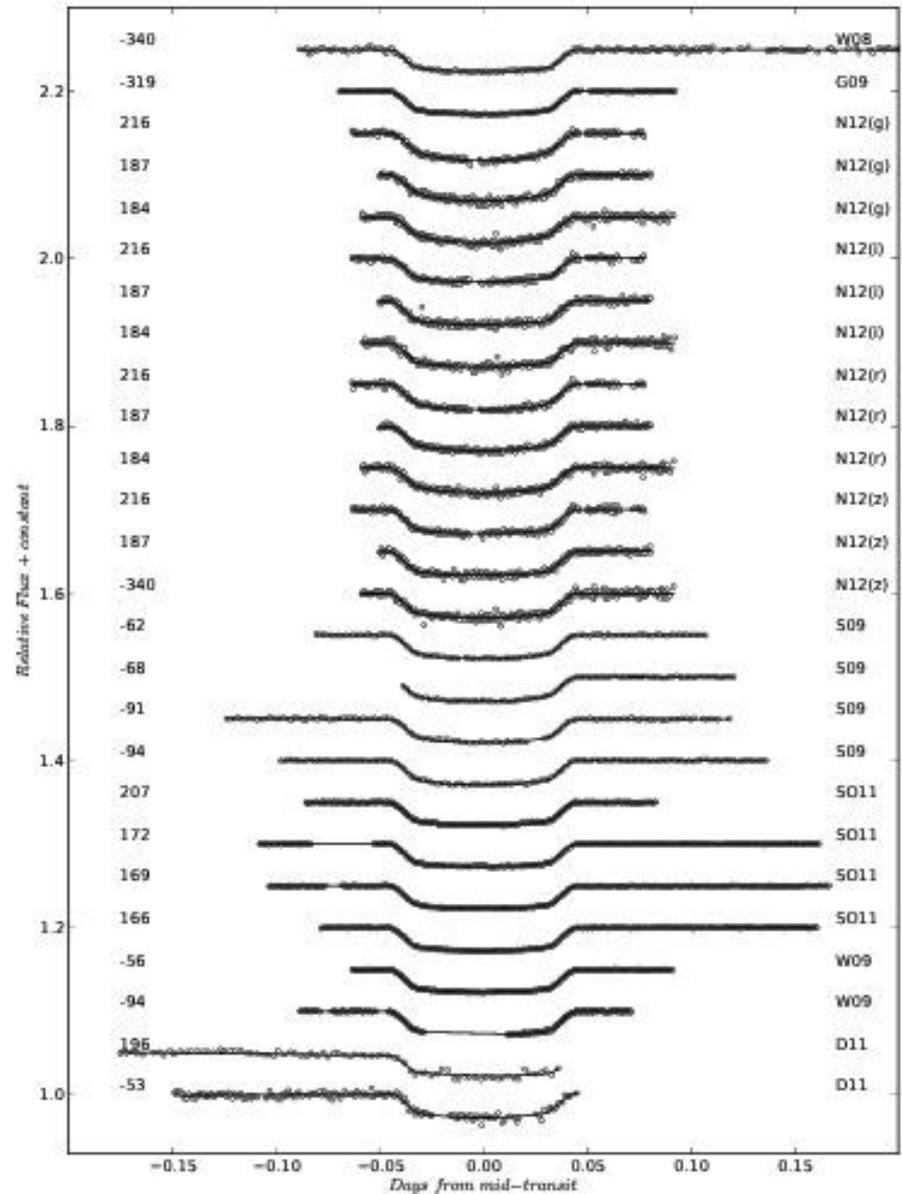
Discovered 2007

Radius: 1.36 R_{Jup}

Mass: 1.12 M_{Jup}

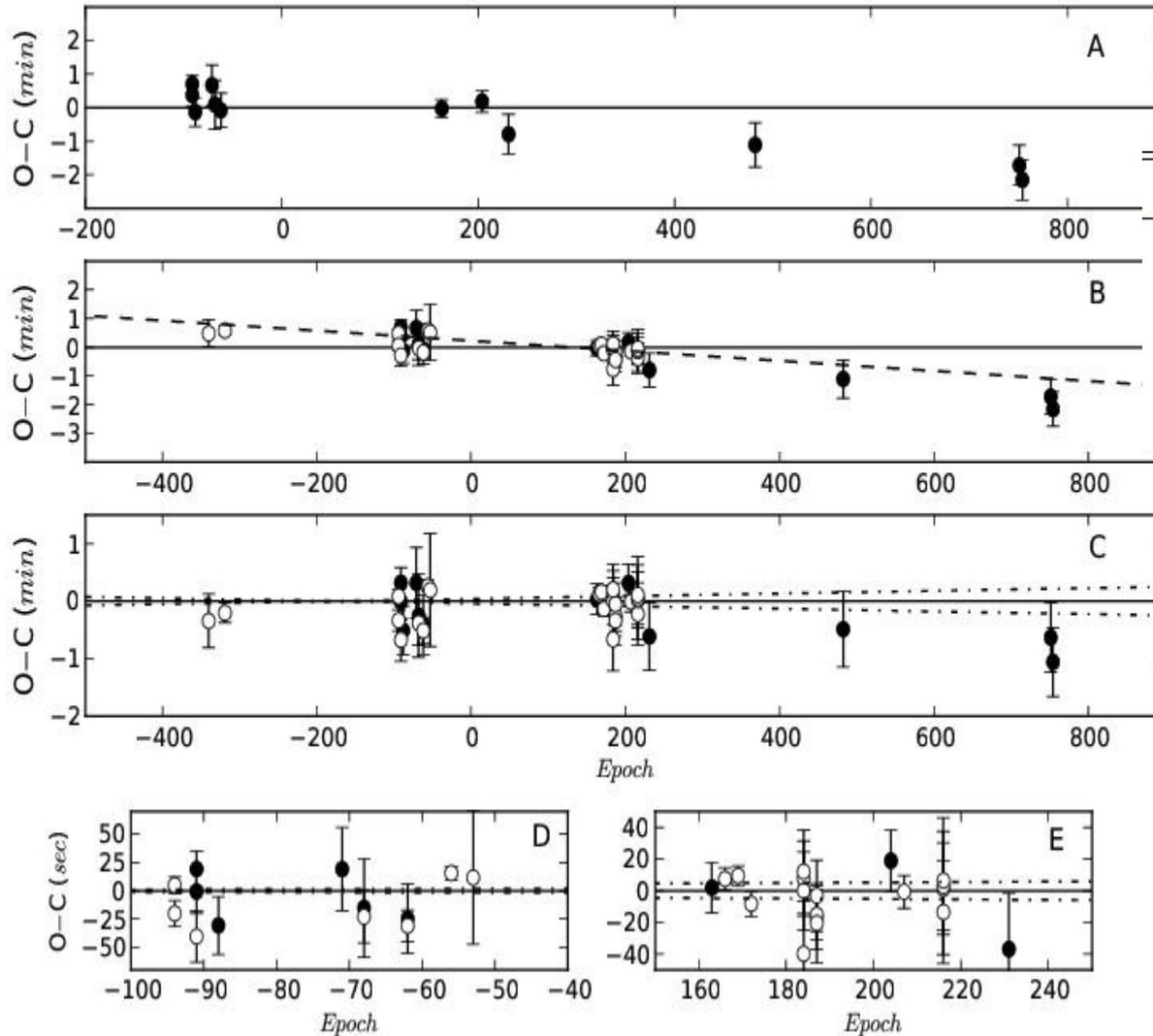
Period: 1.338 days

G8V, V = 12.6 mag , R_{star}=1.15 R_{sun}



Analysis using 12+26 light curves

WASP-4b

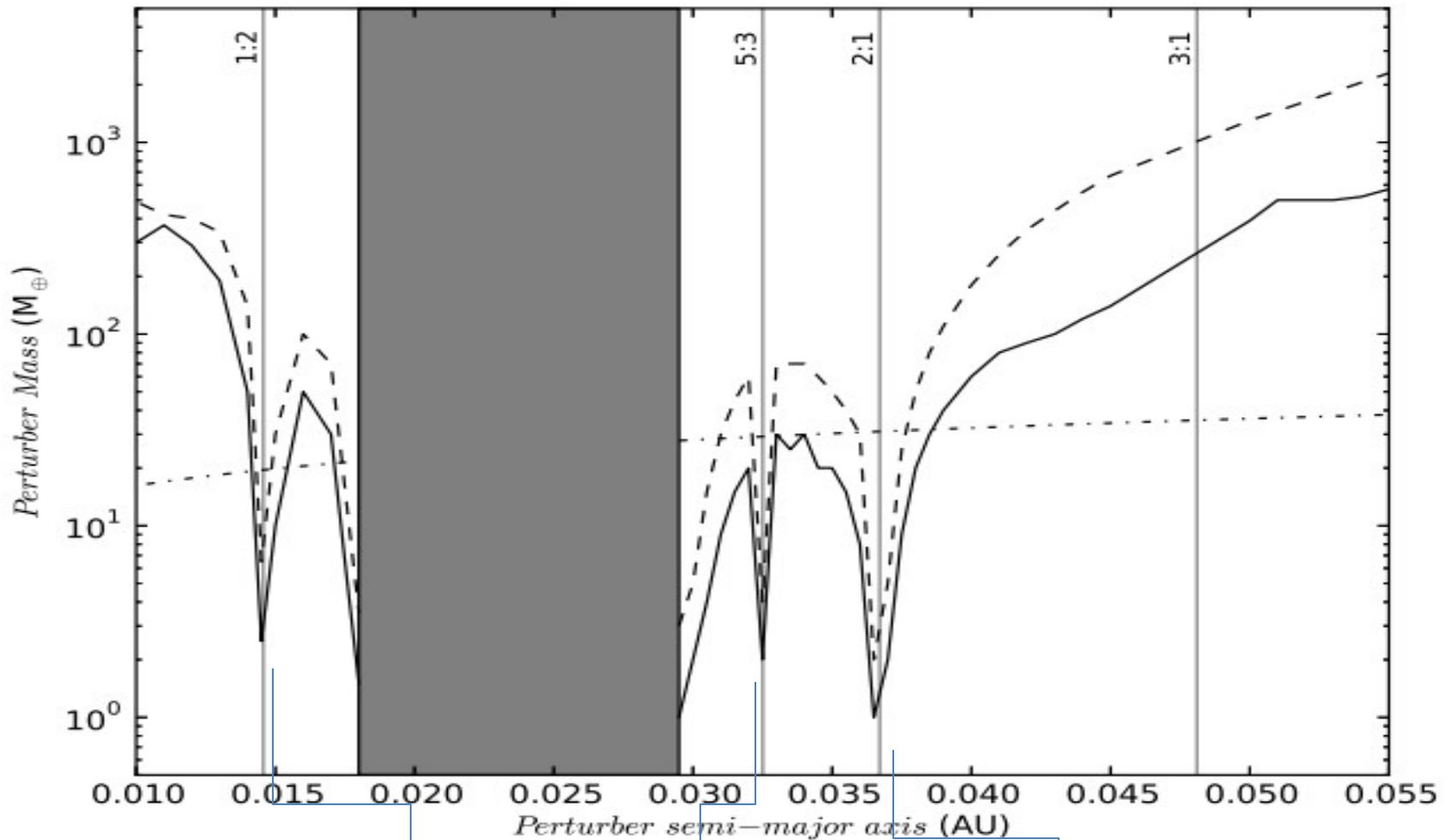


Parameter	Derived Value	error
P (days)	1.33823204	± 0.00000016
T_0 (BJD)	2454823.591923	± 0.000028
i (deg)	88.52	$+0.39, -0.26$
R_p/R_s	0.15445	± 0.00025
a/R_s	5.463	$+0.025, -0.020$
e	0^a	

**TTV RMS of
20 seconds
over 4 years**

Hoyer et al. 2012b (Submitted)

WASP-4b Limits to perturber mass



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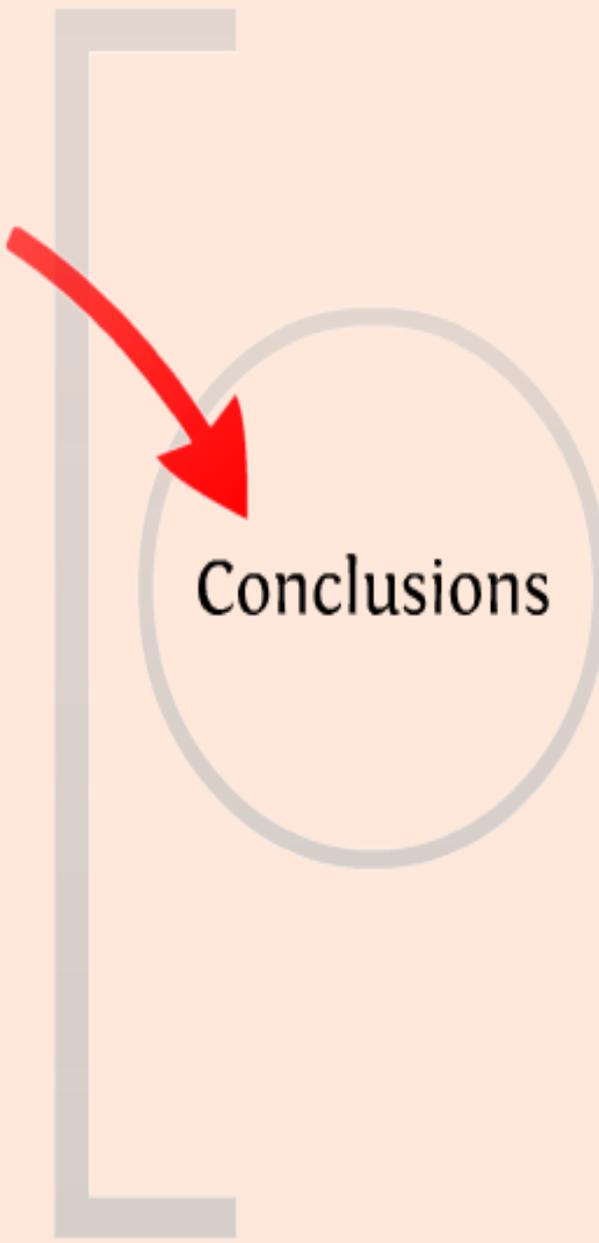
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First Results:

	OGLE-TR-111b	WASP-5b	WASP-4b
Refined Parameters			
TTVs			
Perturber Mass Limits			
Other Studies			Spots
Status	Published	Published	Submitted



Conclusions

- **TTVs** is a powerful technique to detect companions down to the Earth-Mass regime.
- **TTVs** can determine the architecture of exoplanetary transiting systems
- We have conducted a **monitoring program** of transiting extrasolar planets which led to a long-term project: **TraMoS**.
- More than **70 transits** have been observed (+ observations during 2012)
- The first TraMoS results have been **published/submitted**
 - **No companions for Hot-Jupiters**

Thanks !