Stellar magnetic activity

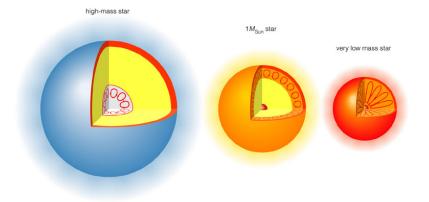
Star-Planet Interactions

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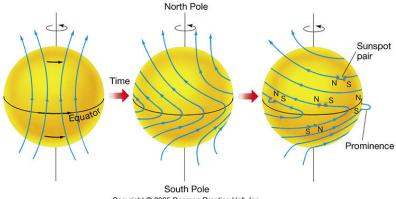
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Hot and cool stars

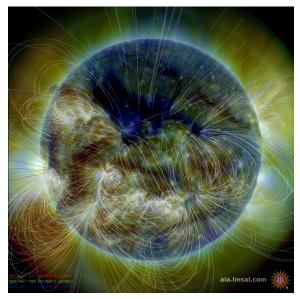


Magnetic dynamo of cool stars



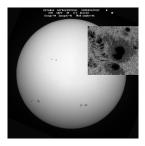
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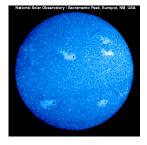
Magnetic activity and field lines on the Sun



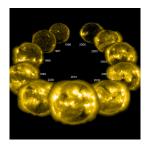
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Magnetic activity from optical to X-rays

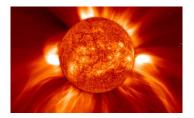




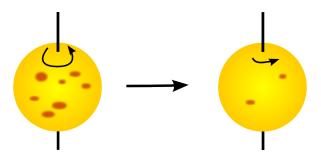




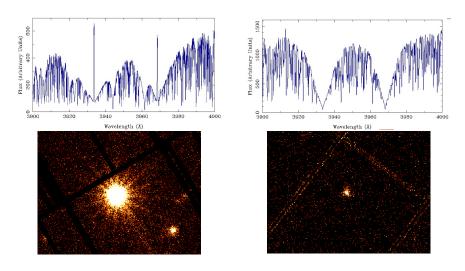
Decline of magnetic activity: magnetic braking



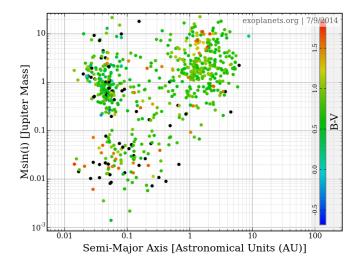
loss of angular momentum through stellar wind



Activity decline with stellar age



The exoplanet zoo



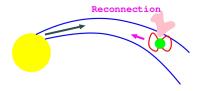
Hot Jupiter system to scale



WASP-12 system (G0 star + Hot Jupiter in 1 d orbit)

- planetary orbits within few stellar radii
- strong irradiation of planets (~ 100 000× flux at Earth)

Interaction of exoplanets and their host stars



picture credit: E. Shkolnik

planets influencing stellar activity: Star-Planet Interaction

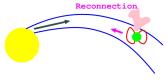


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stellar activity influencing planets: evaporation, habitability

Star-planet interaction

2 basic scenarios:



magnetic

discovery papers: Shkolnik et al. 2005, 2008 for 2 individual systems

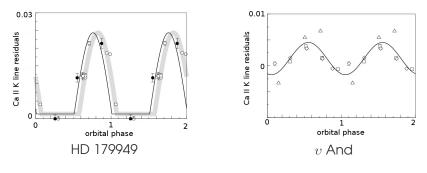


tidal

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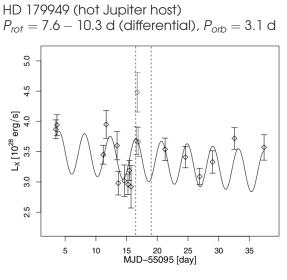
spin-up (inhibited spin-down) of host star; stronger for thick outer convection zones

Individual planet-host stars



(Shkolnik at al. 2005)

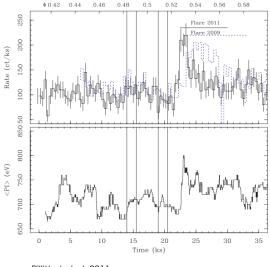
Individual planet-host stars



Scandariato et al. 2013

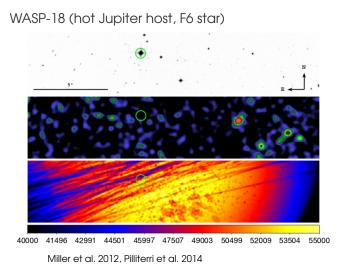
Individual planet-host stars: Flare triggering?

HD 189733 (hot Jupiter host)



Pillitteri et al. 2011

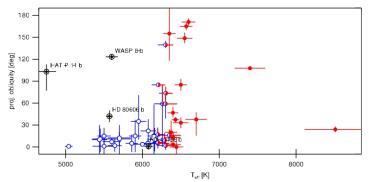
Individual planet-host stars: ultra-weak activity?



Tidal interaction and orbital obliquities



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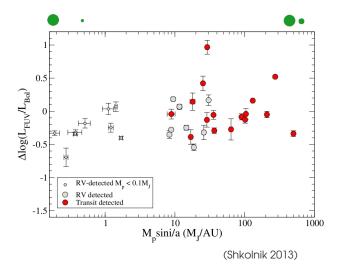
(Albrecht et al. 2012)

Stellar samples: planet-induced activity enhancements?

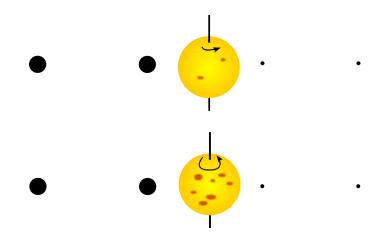


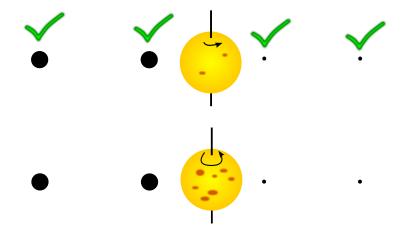
- searching for trends in samples of planet-hosting stars: Kashyap et al.
 2010, Poppenhaeger et al. 2010, 2011, Lanza 2011, Shkolnik 2013, Miller et al.
 2012, 2013, and others
- caveat: stellar activity biases against planet detection!

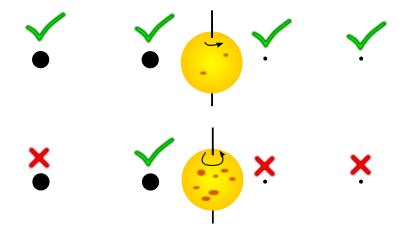
Searching for stellar activity enhancements

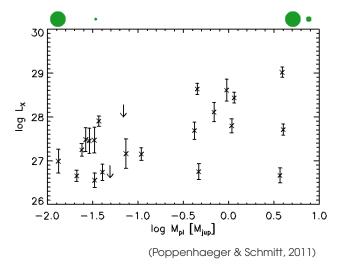


also: Kashyap et al. 2008, Scharf 2010

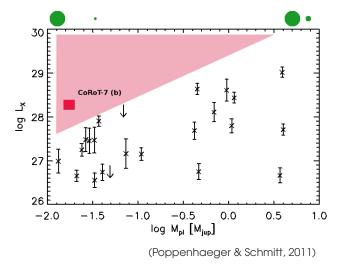






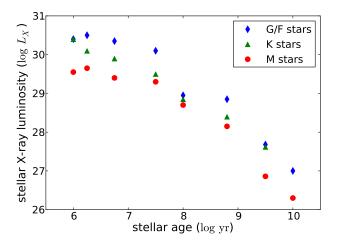


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Activity decline with stellar age

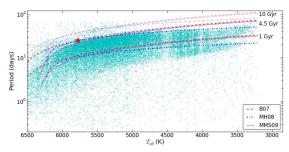


Data from Preibisch et al. 2005, Jeffries et al. 2006, Schmitt et al. 1995, Schmitt 1997, Maggio et al. 1987, Hawley et al. 1994

Chromospheric activity vs. age: for example Mamajek & Hillenbrandt 2008

Asteroseismic ages can help us to find planet hosts with unusual activity properties:

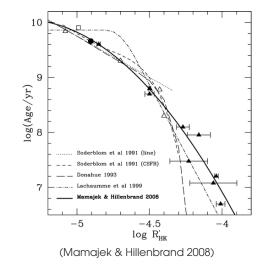
Rotation



(McQuillan et al. 2014; see also Reinhold et al. 2013)

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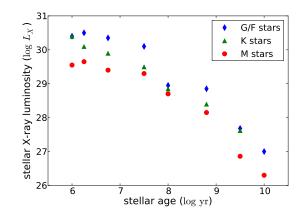
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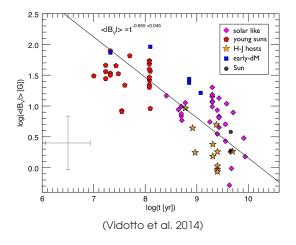
 Activity (corona)



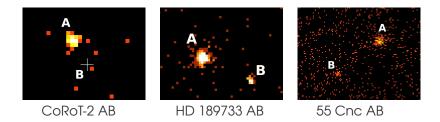
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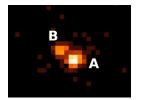
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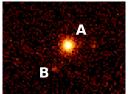


X-ray observations of 5 candidate systems



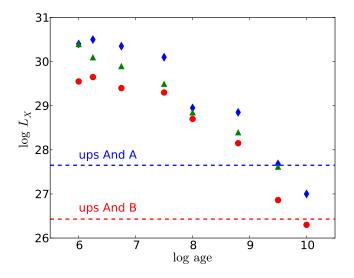


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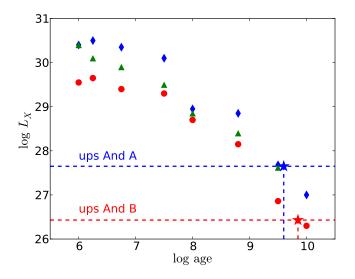


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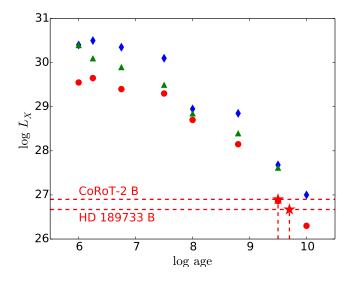
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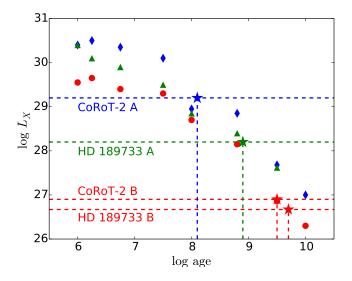
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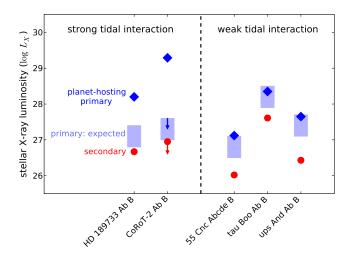
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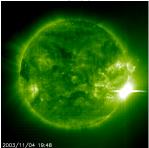


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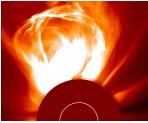
see Poppenhaeger et al. 2014, A&A Letters

Stellar activity affects exoplanets



flares

coronal mass ejections





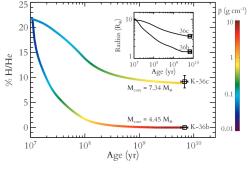
heating of high-altitude atmosphere

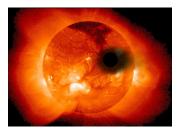
planetary mass loss

Atmospheric evaporation, driven by X-rays and UV

Evaporation of gaseous envelope

for example Murray-Clay 2009, Lecavelier des Etangs et al. 2004, Erkaev et al. 2007

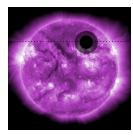


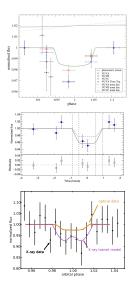


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Lopez et al. 2013

X-rays and UV absorption in exoplanetary exospheres





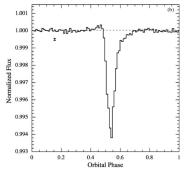
WASP-12b, NUV, Fossati et al. 2010

HD 189733b, Ly- α , Bourrier et al. 2013

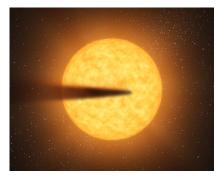
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Evaporating planets - transit profiles

KIC 12557548, dusty tail?

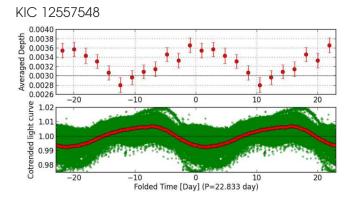


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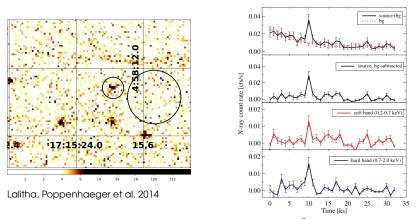
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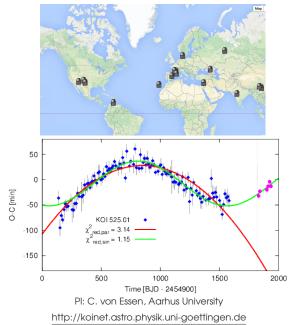
Kawahara et al. 2013

X-ray irradiation of GJ 1214 b



XUV flux at planetary orbit: $\approx 2000~erg/s/cm^2$ at least 5 times higher than for evaporating Hot Jupiter HD 209458 b!

Constraining exoplanet masses: KOINet



Stellar magnetic activity and exoplanets



- activity biases in exoplanet host star samples
- tidal / flare triggering interactions of planets and stars?
- need activity-independent age estimates to identify outliers
- exoplanets: X-ray/UV-driven evaporation